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ROOSEVELT INTENDS TO SEND BATTLE FLEET TO THE FAR EAST TO CHECK AGGRESSION BY JAPANESE

Pointed Warning To Nomura By Washington Press

WASHINGTON, FEB. 18 (REUTER)—THE POSSIBILITY OF THE AMERICAN BATTLE FLEET GOING TO THE FAR EAST TO CHECK THE JAPANESE AGGRESSION OVERSHADOWS THE CONSIDERATION IN WASHINGTON OF THE EUROPEAN WAR QUESTIONS, ACCORDING TO SOME NEWSPAPERS HERE.

The WASHINGTON TIMES HERALD says flatly that "all evidence available indicates that President Roosevelt intends to order the Fleet to the Far East, if Japan attacks Singapore or attempts to occupy the Dutch Indies."

THE EASTERN CRISIS HAS PUSHED THE THREATENED INVASION OF BRITAIN OUT OF ITS PLACE AS THE CHIEF NEWS OF THE DAY, AND EDITORIAL COMMENT INDICATES THE SERIOUSNESS OF A THREATENED SPREAD OF THE WAR IN THE ORIENT.

It is recognised that while the climax seems to have been postponed, the crisis itself exists and persists, while a basic clash of interests between Japan and the Western Powers remains.

BRITAIN SPEAKS:

DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE: PRESENT WAR IS ONE OF OPPOSING IDEAS

"This is not a national war or a war between rival imperialisms, but a war of opposing ideals," said MR. JOHN B. PRIESTLEY, the well-known novelist and essayist, when he broadcast from London yesterday in the series "Britain Speaks."

Mr. Priestley opened his talk with brief reference to the entrance of the British Imperial forces into the town of Benghazi.

IMPORTANT EVENT

"You have heard," he said, "how when our columns reached the centre of the town, its total population, of which only 5,000 had left, came out to cheer the invaders and that there could be heard loud cries in Italian of 'Long Live England! Long Live Democracy!'"

"That seems to me to be very important. It shows the root of the matter. There can be no doubt that those Italians meant what they said. They saw the invaders as the penetrating advance guard of democracy, now roused and militant—a free democracy which the swaggering Fascists have been sneering for years.

Mr. Priestley declared that among these men there must have been many Italians who had not been converted to Fascism, just as there were many Germans today who had not been converted to Nazism. They had no illusions about the cheap gangsterism to which they had been subjected.



MR. J. B. PRIESTLEY, M.A.

The situation is succinctly put by the WASHINGTON STAR, which mentions LORD HALIFAX'S statement that the objective is to keep the situation from going to pieces. It then asks: "How can this objective be attained if Japan maintains an aggressive policy against the nations which are resolutely standing their ground? UNLESS ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER GIVES WAY A COLLISION SEEMS INEVITABLE."

There is still no sign here which is likely to give way. Undoubtedly the situation is extremely serious and the Washington Star warns ADMIRAL NOMURA that "SELDOM HAS A FOREIGN AMBASSADOR ASSUMED DUTIES IN WASHINGTON AMID GRAVER CONDITIONS THAN THOSE CONFRONTING JAPAN'S NEW ENVOY."

The Washington Star flatly declares that the relations strained through three-and-a-half years of the attempted conquest of China, had been aggravated by Japan's adherence to the Axis and her unconcealed purpose to exploit the triple alliance for the establishment of her new order.

The newspaper warns Admiral Nomura that if he came

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No Cause For Trouble

The Japanese Consul-General in Sydney called on the Acting Prime Minister of Australia yesterday and said that he saw no cause for trouble and that there were no grievances between the two countries which could not be solved, states a London message.

MINISTERS AT LARGE
It was announced in Tokyo that two Japanese Ministers-at-Large have been appointed to the United States and Germany. They will work in conjunction with the Ambassadors, states a London message. (Special)

FAIRBURN 'DROME

The Australian Minister for Air, Sir John McEwen, stated yesterday that the flying field at Canberra, to be called the Fairburn Aerodrome, to commemorate the late Mr. Fairburn, who was killed in a crash recently about a mile from the ground, which now is to bear his name, states a message from Sydney. (Special)

1,502 CIVILIANS KILLED IN AIR RAIDS AT HOME

LONDON, FEB. 18 (B.W.S.)—During January 1,502 civilians were killed in air raids, 2012 injured and detained in hospital.

In announcing this, the Ministry of Home Security adds that the killed included 720 men, 567 women, 189 children under 16, and the injured were 1,171 men, 632 women and 199 children under 16.

The remaining 26 killed are not classified.

PREPARATIONS BY BRITAIN IN MALAYA MEANT FOR JAPAN

29,000 PAIRS OF SOCKS FOR TROOPS

Pupils from public schools in New South Wales contributed £204,653 to war funds up to the end of last year, states a message from Sydney.

In addition they made 29,000 pairs of socks, 22,000 pullovers and other articles for the troops. (Special)

IMMIGRATION OFFICER ADVISES PUBLIC TO DEAL WITH GENERAL AGENCY FOR SPEEDIER RESULTS

WHEN QUESTIONED BY A HONGKONG DAILY PRESS REPORTER ON FRIDAY, AS TO WHAT WERE THE SPECIAL POWERS delegated to the "General Agency to control all agencies" appointed by the Immigration Officer, the official spokesman of the Immigration Office denied that any special powers have been vested in the Agency, and that the appointment was only to facilitate the work of the Immigration Office.

It is exceedingly difficult, if not impossible, to reconcile these statements with the latest notice, issued in Chinese by, or under, the authority of the Immigration Officer, which have appeared outside the Office.

TRANSLATED, THESE NOTICES READ:

"Applicants, who are in a hurry to leave the Colony before the obtaining of a pass, may apply for a temporary pass at the Chief Agency at No. 3A, Wyndham Street, in order to be able to vest such sweeping powers, as the issuing of temporary passes, to a private commercial enterprise.

Those who have paid their deposit for entering the Colony may

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CHIEF SIGNIFICANCE OF TURCO-BULGARIA PACT

Existing Situation Is Not Altered

ANKARA, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—THE CHIEF SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TURCO-BULGARIAN DECLARATION, ACCORDING TO TURKISH POLITICAL CIRCLES, IS THAT BULGARIA BINDS HERSELF NOT TO ATTACK TURKEY OR GREECE, that is to say, not to march along with the Germans.

The question of Bulgaria's attitude to the German wish to march through Bulgaria, is an outside scope of the declaration. According to Turkish information, however, THE BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT IS DOING ITS BEST TO PERSUADE THE GERMANS TO KEEP OUT.

Political circles are non-committal regarding the possibility of propaganda of which they are already making full use," says MR. VERNON BARTLETT, writing in the NEWS-CHRONICLE, "and it is therefore important to insist the Turks have emphasised that it in no way affects their obligations to Britain.

It was been obvious for some time that the Turkish Army would not march into Bulgaria to meet the Germans there, but concentrate on defending their national interests on their own chosen ground and therefore, the new agreement does alter the existing situation in fact.

MOVED FASTER

"I believe that the negotiations for the pact began at Turkey's request when it still seemed probable that the Bulgarians might be encouraged to take action to prevent the German infiltration Events. However, moved faster than the negotiations. A refusal to conclude them despite the changed circumstances would have strengthened the fear felt in some Bulgarian circles that an attack was to be anticipated from the Turkish side and it must be repeated that full satisfaction is expressed in London over the cause wherein Turkey states her close understanding with Britain."

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New Scheme For Naval Scholarships

MR. A. V. ALEXANDER, First Lord of the Admiralty, announced yesterday that he had drawn up a scheme whereby the Royal Naval College would secure the bulk of the country's youth, states a London message.

A scholarship would be offered to pupils of secondary schools from next September and would take the form of assistance depending on the incomes of their parents.

There would also be another scholarship offered to the son of a rating or an ex-rating who was unable to get any other previous scholarship. (Special)

Darlan On Way To Paris

ADMIRAL DARLAN left Vichy yesterday morning for Paris after a long conference with General Huntziger and with the Minister of Finance, states a London message.

German reports on Monday were insisting that Darlan must see Herr Abetz and probably M. Laval. The latter has been in Paris since he refused the post offered him in the Vichy Government.

So far there is no indication of what the new discussions will be about but it is known that the Germans do not regard the question of the French Navy and French bases as closed. (Special)

SHEEP BREEDING PROGRESS IN AUSTRALIA

The sheep breeding industry in Australia is showing remarkable progress and this is reflected in the number of new flocks, states a message from Sydney.

There is also a spirited demand for stud sheep which is considered significant of the rapid progress which spells well for the future. Australian surplus of eggs may be bought up by the United Kingdom at a basic price per pound, if the negotiations now being conducted are successful. Britain would take the eggs in shells, egg powder or in egg bulk. (Special)

COAL RESERVES IN AUSTRALIA

Australia is provided for with coal in many centres and so it has been decided to build up big reserves at many points, states a message from Sydney.

Iron ore and iron products are the next to be stored up and to complete this measure all available shipping space on Australian cargo vessels has been reserved. (Special)

Today's News Summary

A GERMAN MERCHANT SHIP which was being used by the Italians as a supply vessel has been sunk by naval aircraft in the Central Mediterranean, it is officially announced by the Admiralty. Two other enemy ships have also been damaged.

SINCE THE BEGINNING of the war, it is revealed, the Germans have lost by capture, sinking and scuttling, a total of 1,330,000 tons and the Italians 623,000 gross tons. Mercantile losses due to the enemy action for the week ended Feb. 9 were nine British and four Allied ships.

THE WASHINGTON PRESS says that all evidence available goes to show that President Roosevelt intends to send the United States battle fleet to the Far East to check Japanese aggression. The papers also give a pointed warning to Admiral Nomura, the new Japanese Ambassador, regarding the "new order."

JAPANESE PREPAREDNESS to mediate "in any war" was voiced by the Tokyo Government spokesman who said that Japan would do so, if invited, and if the situation was favourable.

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OVER A THOUSAND civilians were killed in air raids in Britain last month, according to official figures released by the Ministry of Home Security.

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THE HONG KONG
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ANNUAL RACE MEETING,
1941.

Postponed to:

First Day—Monday,

17th February

Second Day—Tuesday,

18th February

Third Day—Wednesday,

19th February

Fourth Day—Saturday,

22nd February

Fifth Day—Saturday,

1st March

The programme fixed for 15th February will be run off on Monday, 17th February, and the subsequent days' programmes in consecutive order.

On Monday, 17th, Tuesday, 18th, Wednesday, 19th, and Saturday, 22nd February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 1st March, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 10th Feb., 1941.

“BLUE RIBAND” OF HONGKONG TURF WON BY OOLONG IN

RAIN: ANOTHER JOCKEY IS HEAVILY THROWN

Major Upset Caused In Gymkhana Handicap

Following its win in the Maiden Stakes on the previous day, Mr. T. K. Li's OOLONG, cleverly ridden by MR. V. NEEDA, annexed the main prize in the HONGKONG DERBY, in spite of the strong challenge put up by Mr. Moller's VELVETLIGHT (MR. C. B. MOLLER), under most miserable weather conditions and on a very heavy track.

During the tiffin interval, the steady drizzle of the morning turned to fairly heavy rain with the result that when the ponies faced the Starter in the main event of the day, several pools of water were to be seen on the cinder track.

Oolong went to the gate a red-hot favourite, carrying practically 50 per cent. of the number of "win" tickets sold. CHARLESBER, the second favourite, took the lead from the start, followed by EVE OF GRANDEUR and Oolong, with WORLD FAIR VIEW, LOVELYLIGHT, Velvetlight and EVE OF DECEPTION in close attendance.

Passing the Rock the second time, Charlesber faltered which gave Velvetlight the lead. Entering the straight, Oolong shot up to the front and, despite the strong challenge of Velvetlight, ran in the winner by a length.

Mr. Moller's second string entrant, Lovelylight, was third, six lengths behind its stablemate.

The first surprise of a day of surprises came with the defeat of FRESH AIR, a red-hot favourite in the opening event, The Perth Plate (first section) by Cire's MOONLIGHT, ridden by Mr. F. Noodt, and the second placing of BONA VACANTIA (Mr. M. M. Sokoloff) which paid a dividend of \$30.

NAVYLIGHT'S SUCCESS

Cire's nomination for the Footshow Cup, Navylight (Mr. C. B. Moller) followed up its stablemate's success by defeating the much-fancied Confusion Bay and Eve of Harvest to pay its 171 backers \$72.40 each.

The Austral Black Rock Stakes was a certainty for Mr. Eu Tong-sen's FLEETWING whose jockey, Mr. Billy Poy, had one of the armchair rides of the day.

United Express was the starting post a red-hot favourite, at the Race Course.

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COMING EVENTS

FEB.

19—Tides: High 3:33 a.m. and 3:31 p.m.; Low 8:03 a.m. and 10:47 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:33 a.m.; Sunset: 6:22 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Fourth Day, 11:30 a.m.
Cheer Club Dance, 8:30 p.m.
Lecture, Mr. R. A. Hill on "Colour on Textiles" Room K, H.K. University, 8:30 p.m.

20—Tides: High 5:07 a.m. and 4:31 p.m.; Low 8:55 a.m.
Sunrise: 6:32 a.m.; Sunset: 6:22 p.m.
Launching of M. V. Hin Sang, Kowloon Docks, 8 p.m.
H.K. Y's Mens Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
St. Andrew's Church Hall, Movie Evening, 9 p.m.
Legislative Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 9:30 a.m.
Seafarers' Dance, Sailors' Home, & Seamen's Institute, 9 p.m.
H.K. Ladies' Hockey Assn. Annual Mtg., Gloucester Hotel.

Y's Men's Club, St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.
Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.
Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club Committee, Chater Room, 5:30 p.m.
Requiem Mass for Bishop Rozzoni, Catholic Cathedral, 7:30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship Social, 8:30 p.m.
Cheer Club Bridge and Mahjong.

21—Tides: High 6:34 a.m. and 5:47 p.m.; Low 12:18 a.m. and 10:21 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:51 a.m.; Sunset: 6:23 p.m.
H.K. University: Lecture by Prof. P. B. Wilkinson on "Coronary Syndromes" under auspices of the University Medical Society, 8:30 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

H.K. Chamber Music Club Concert, University Great Hall, 9:15 p.m.
Exhibition Basketball, Chinese Y.M.C.A., 7:30 p.m.

22—Tides: High 8:06 a.m. and 6:53 p.m.; Low 1:20 a.m. and 11:52 a.m.
Sunrise: 6:50 a.m.; Sunset: 6:23 p.m.
H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Final Day, 2 p.m.

23—Tides: High 8:55 a.m. and 7:49 p.m.; Low 2:05 a.m. and 12:56 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:50 a.m.; Sunset: 6:24 p.m.
Junior Golf Championship—Final, Fanning Hunt Point-To-Point Meet, 3 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge, 9 p.m.

24—Tides: High 9:28 a.m. and 8:31 p.m.; Low 2:42 a.m. and 1:47 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:49 a.m.; Sunset: 6:24 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party, (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

25—Tides: High 9:37 a.m. and 9:29 p.m.; Low 3:16 a.m. and 2:22 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:16 a.m.; Sunset: 6:25 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club, 10th Anniversary Dinner, H.K. Hotel, 8:15 p.m.

26—Tides: High 10:39 a.m. and 9:58 p.m.; Low 4:33 a.m. and 3:44 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:47 a.m.; Sunset: 6:26 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

27—Tides: High 10:53 a.m. and 10:35 p.m.; Low 4:12 a.m. and 3:54 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:47 a.m.; Sunset: 6:26 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

28—Tides: High 11:17 a.m. and 11:07 p.m.; Low 4:42 a.m. and 4:33 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:46 a.m.; Sunset: 6:27 p.m.
Kowloon Residents' Assn. Annual Meeting, St. Andrew's Hall, 6 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
Vocal Recital by Y. K. Sze, Peninsula Hotel, 9:15 p.m.

Star Ferry Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting, Gardine, Matheson & Co. Office, 11 a.m.

CHARLIE CHAN AT THE KING'S

His best friend murdered, so Charlie Chan carried on—and that was the title Earl Derr Biggers gave to the novel from which "Charlie Chan's Murder Cruise" starting today at the King's theatre, was filmed.

Chan, who is again portrayed in the 20th Century-Fox film by the veteran Sidney Toler, is at his best when he matches wits with a master-strangler who ruthlessly slays three unsuspecting victims on board a luxury liner. The murders come with unerring swiftness and there is but one clue to the fiend. Beside each victim Chan finds thirty pieces of silver.

There is romance in "Charlie Chan's Murder Cruise" between handsome Robert Lowery and beautiful Marjorie Weaver. Amid the terror and confusion aboard it seems as if their romance will be blighted, but Chan, although he is busy tracking down the killer, finds time to play Cupid and patch up the lovers' quarrel in an interesting romantic sidelight.

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SECOND TALK BY FR. BYRNE ON "MAKERS OF MEDICINE"

Schumann Symphony

12:15 p.m. Short Service of inter-

cess.

12:30 Light Orchestral Selections.

Bells Across the Meadows (Ketel-

bey)—Albert W. Ketelbey conducting

His Concert Orchestra (with Choral

Effects). Babylonian Nights (Zarnecki); In The Sudan (Sebek)—Alfred

Van Dusen & His Gaumont State Or-

chestra. I Sing To You (Sousinen) (Eric Coates); The Seven Seas—

March (Eric Coates)—Light Sym-

phony Orch conducted by Eric

Coates.

12:50 Sea Songs and Shanties sung

by the Portsmouth Royal Naval

Singers.

Sea Songs—Intro: Jolly Roger;

Sailors' Chorus. See! Shanties—Intro:

Billy Boy. Johnny Come Down to

Hill; I'll Go No More A-Roving; Rio

Grande.

1:00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1:03 Dance Music by Nat Gonella and His Georgians with Vocal by Frances Langford.

Fox-Trots—The Snake Charmer;

Let 'Er Go—Nat Gonella and His

Georgians. Vocal—Falling In Love

With Love (from "Up and doing")—

France Langford with Orchestra.

Rumba—Ain't Cha Comin' Out?

Quickstep—The Corrigan Horn—Nat

Gonella and His Georgians. Vocal—

Thru You've Never Been Blue; Hurry

Home—Frances Langford with Or-

chestra. Fox-Trots—The Dippy

Doodie; Jubilee (film "Every Day's a

Holiday")—Nat Gonella and His Ge-

orgians.

1:15 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Love Walked In; Love

Is Here to Stay (both from "Goldwyn

Follies")—Carroll Gibbons and the

Savoy Hotel Orpheans. Rumba—

This is the Kiss Of Romance;

Quickstep—Good, Evenin'; Good

Lookin'—Henry Hall and His Orches-

tra. Fox-Trots—The Donkey's Seren-

ade (from "The Firefly"); The Down

and Out Blues (from "Happy Re-

turns")—Jay Wilbur and His Band.

Fox-Trots—An Old Straw Hat (film

"Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm"); Lovelight in the Starlight (film "Her

Jungle Love")—Bunny Berigan and

His Orchestra. Tangos—Land of

Magic; Lamentol—Heinz Huppertz &

His Orchestral Fox-Trots—You're

Looking for Romance, I'm Looking

for Love; Sunset in Vienna (from

"Vienna Sunset")—Brian Lawrence &

His Lansdowne Orchestra. Waltzes—

Cuckoo Waltz; Brigitte—Dejos Bela

Dance Orchestra. Fox-Trot—I Know

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TURKEY AND BULGARIA SIGN NON-AGGRESSION PACT

Declaration Not Likely To Influence Present Position

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The Turkish and Bulgarian Governments yesterday published a joint statement enumerating four points on which they have reached an agreement, says a Sofia telegram to the official Italian news agency.

The statement says: The Turkish and Bulgarian Governments have decided to initiate a new exchange of views in the light of events and have reached an agreement on the following points without prejudice to their contracted agreements with regard to other countries:

(1) Turkey and Bulgaria consider it an unchanging basis of their foreign policy to abstain from any aggression;

(2) The two Governments are inspired by most friendly intentions towards each other and are determined to maintain and develop their confidence still further in good neighbourly relations;

(3) The two Governments declare themselves ready to seek appropriate means to develop trade relations between the two countries to the greatest extent compatible with their economic structure;

(4) The two Governments express the hope that the press of their two countries will be inspired in its writings by mutual friendship and confidence which has been newly affirmed in this declaration.

AGREEMENT SIGNED

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The declaration by the Turkish and Bulgarian Governments was signed at the Turkish Foreign Office yesterday afternoon by the Turkish Foreign Minister, Mr. Sarajoglu, and the Bulgarian Minister to Ankara, stated the Ankara radio.

NO CHANGE EXPECTED

SOFIA, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — It is not anticipated that the declaration of friendship by the Turkish and Bulgarian Governments will radically alter the present position.

In December last, the Bulgarian Minister to Turkey, M. Jiroff, travelled to Sofia on a visit stated to be connected with a move towards a Bulgarian-Turkish rapprochement.

It was stated then that he conveyed concrete Turkish proposals and was received by King Boris as well as the Foreign Minister, M. Popoff.

NAZI PREPARATIONS

ANKARA, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — German military preparations in-

DIVE-BOMBER STATIONS IN SICILY RAIDED BY R.A.F.

DANUBE BURSTS BANKS

ICE PACKS CHOKE FLOW OF RIVER

VICHY, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The Danube has burst its banks and 30,000 people have been evacuated from their homes after the waters of the swollen river have burst through the protective dykes 30 miles below Budapest, says a dispatch to the official French news agency.

An aerodrome at Gela was also attacked successfully and aircraft on the return journey from this raid machine-gunned the Beacon Station at Cape Passero.

IN ERITREA

Hangars, buildings and workshops at Mai Adaga in Eritrea were heavily damaged and photographs were taken showing the effect of several direct hits.

Around Keren, fighter aircraft supported the British troops.

Near Gurz enemy aircraft were intercepted and shot down and others were damaged near Keren.

In Abyssinia, dispersed enemy aircraft and stores were set on fire at Chinnell.

AUSTRALIAN FIGHTER AIRCRAFT

intercepted German bombers near Benghazi and one German plane was shot down.

ENEMY RAIDS

Kaisers on Saturday and Sunday caused no damage to R.A.F. property.

A Fleet Air Arm plane on reconnaissance off the coast of Tunis attacked and sank a merchant vessel of about 7,000 tons.

Only one British bomber and one fighter failed to return from these operations.

AXIS NAVY CHIEFS EXCHANGE VIEWS

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — It was announced in Berlin yesterday that Admiral Raeder, Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy and Admiral Riccardi, Secretary of State for the Italian Navy, conferred at Merano, Italy, on Thursday and Friday last.

The official German news agency says: "A thorough exchange of views on the conduct of war against England was carried on in a spirit of comradeship and resulted in complete unanimity."

DUTCH INDIES & PACIFIC CRISIS

Integrity Of Govt. To Be Safeguarded

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — Public reaction in the Dutch Indies to the alarming rumours of the last two days has been an attitude of calm determination, states the Batavia radio.

"There can be no doubt whatever as to the attitude of the Dutch Indies Government," said the announcer.

"They will do in all their power to maintain peace in the Pacific, but should honour or interest demand it, they would not hesitate to defend both."

Trade negotiations with Japan are being reopened, and a meeting took place yesterday between the Japanese Consul-General in Batavia and members of the Japanese Trade Delegation and Van Hood straten who is conducting the negotiation on behalf of the Dutch Indies.

Reasonable requests by Japan would be acceded to, added by the announcer, but unreasonable demands would be met with a firm refusal.

DR. H. COLIJN IRES NAZIS

DISMISSED FROM EDITORIAL POST

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — Doctor Hendrik Collin, 71-year-old former Dutch Prime Minister, has been dismissed by the Germans from his post as editor of the Conservative newspaper, De Standard, it is learned here.

Dr. Collin has been associated with the paper—one of the most influential in Holland—for over 20 years and had acted as editor since his retirement from the Cabinet.

He had long been at loggerheads with the Nazis and the Standard was the first paper suppressed by the Germans because of a leading article in which Dr. Collin attacked the German White Book on Holland and Belgium.

GENERAL

Brilliant Chinese Success In Kwangtung Front

SZEWUI, Feb. 18 (Central) — The Chinese recapture of Lupao, strategically important town on the east bank of the North River in Kwangtung, is considered as an important success by competent military observers. Further details regarding the brilliant Chinese success are now available. It is said that more than 5,000 Japanese troops, mostly of the 38th Division, supported by 12 mountain guns and two heavy field guns launched the offensive on Lupao. While a part of the Japanese force made a frontal attack on the highways leading to the town, the remainder developed an encircling movement by way of Shunkai, Cheknai, Paknai, Kwoktaihu and Taitong.

The purpose of the Japanese offensive was to annihilate the Chinese force, capture Lupao in order to strengthen the outer defense of Canton and seize all Chinese materials stored there.

The Japanese started the attack on Feb. 10 with the aid of six planes which paved their way of advance by heavy bombing and strafing.

STUBBORN RESISTANCE

Entrenched at vantage points, the Chinese troops put up stubborn resistance at Yeungmui, Nampin and Sienkoyuen. After inflicting considerable casualties on the Japanese, the Chinese withdrew slowly toward Lupao in order to entice them into the Chinese encirclement.

Sanguinary fighting took place for two days at Lupao. A part of the Japanese troops succeeded in forcing their way into the town. Braving a rainstorm, the Chinese began a counter-assault on Feb. 12. The Japanese were caught in a pincer movement launched by the Chinese troops inside the town and their reinforcements attacking from Shekkok, north-east of Lupao.

JAPANESE ROUTED

After hours of fighting, the Japanese were routed and beat a retreat via Yeungmui, Wingping, Cheknai and Paknai with the Chinese in pursuit. Rehabilitation work is being done in Lupao by the Chinese authorities.

NUTRITION PROBLEMS

The nutrition problems of the army are being given special attention in a series of discussions now being held in Chungking among nutrition experts, biologists and health officials under the sponsorship of the National Health Administration. The discussions will last until Feb. 21.

Besides the problems of army nutrition, those affecting the people in general and the treatment of diseases caused by malnutrition will also be discussed and examined.—(Central News).

TO CELEBRATE VICTORY

The Chinese in different cities in north Hupeh will hold a mass meeting on February 24 to celebrate the recent Chinese victory in south Honan.

The War Zone San Min Chu I (Three People's Principles) Youth Corps is asking students and others to write 300,000 congratulatory letters for distribution to the Chinese troops responsible for the victory.—(Central News).

NEW PRESIDENT OF SUPREME COURT

CHUNGKING, Feb. 18 (Central) — Mr. Li Po, newly-appointed President of the Supreme Court, was sworn in at the National Government Headquarters yesterday morning. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek personally officiated at the ceremony while Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, was also present.

Rumanians are convinced that the Germans are preparing quickly to invade Bulgaria and stated that 50 pontoon bridges have already been assembled in Dobrudja for this purpose.

Rumanians do not hide their fear of the consequences which would follow the extension of war in the Balkans.

Sir Reginald Hoare, the British Minister in Bucharest, who arrived here from Constantza, has not yet decided on his plans but expected to go to Ankara to see Turkish leaders before proceeding to England.

RIVER CONSERVANCY PROJECT

The conservancy works on the banks of the Feng River in Liu-chow, which have been under construction for the past several years, are expected to be completed before June this year.

Built at an estimated cost of \$500,000, the project, when completed, will be able to irrigate an area of 297,000 mow of land.

Ten more conservancy projects are being planned. As soon as the necessary funds for the construction expenses are raised, work will be started immediately.—(Central News).

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — A Rome bulletin on ex-King Alfonso's illness issued at 7:15 a.m. G.M.T. yesterday morning says he passed "a fairly good night and that there are indications of lessening of the gravity of certain symptoms." King Alfonso has been suffering from heart trouble



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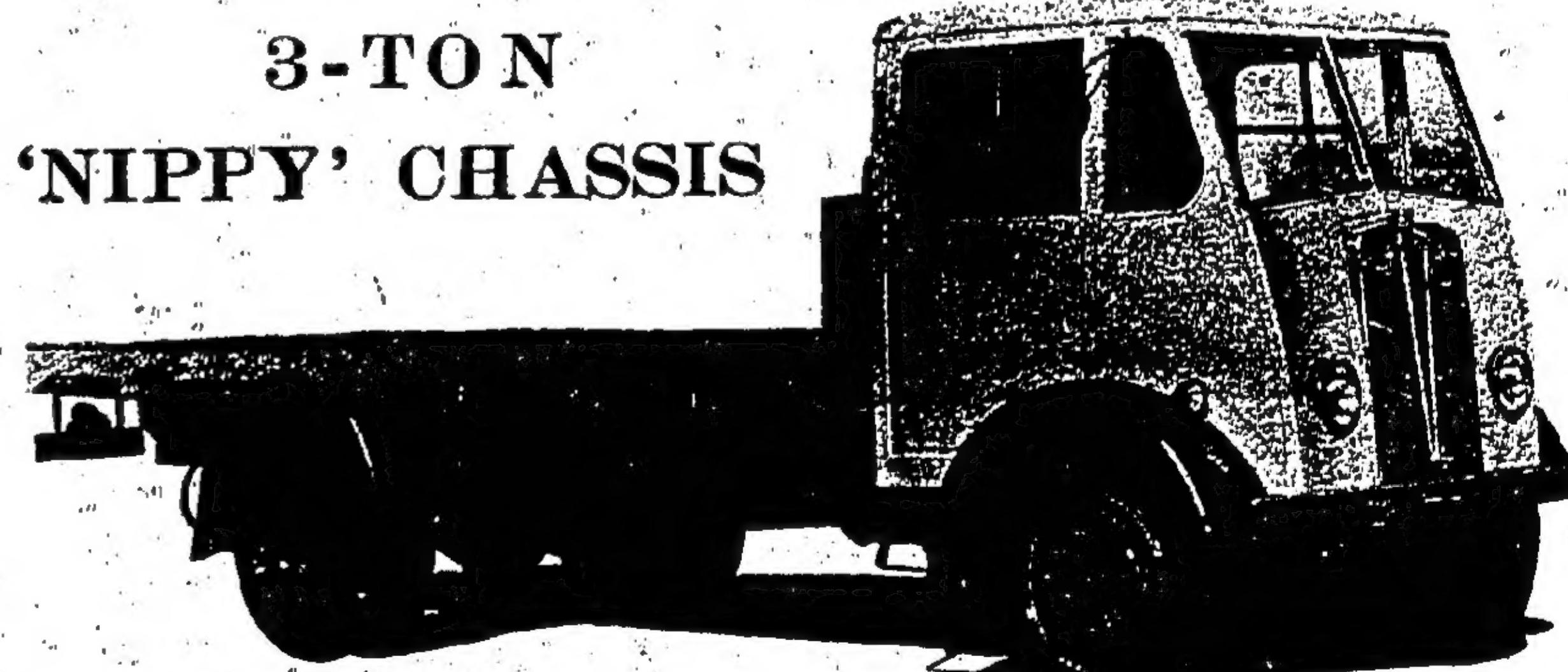
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COURT MARTIAL:

Sapper Was A Hard Worker Until He Kept Bad Company

DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST SAPPER JAMES FREDERICK JOHNS OF THE 40TH FORTRESS COMPANY, ROYAL ENGINEERS, were concluded at Wellington Barracks yesterday morning. The proceedings opened yesterday with an announcement by the President of the Court that accused was found Not Guilty on a charge of attempting to obtain credit from the Mary Silk Store, 60, Johnston Road, Wanchai, by false pretences. Sentences will be promulgated on the remaining two charges of forgery and uttering a forged document knowing it to be forged.

H.K. Border Situation**JAP. WITHDRAWAL RUMOURS DENIED**

The Japanese are still garrisoned in the same areas and positions along the border between Namtau, Shumchun and Shataukok and present indications are that they have no intention at all of abandoning these positions, it was learned yesterday.

Reports of the Japanese withdrawal from Shataukok were authoritatively denied yesterday, the strength of the Japanese forces in the border areas remaining the same as before.

The Japanese are still in control in Mirs Bay and Bias Bay, though the Japanese garrison at Shayuchung has been reduced to about 100 men for patrolling the coast. The highway between Pinghan and Au-tau, however, is being heavily garrisoned.

WITHOUT FOUNDATION
Vernacular reports to the effect that the Japanese are re-embarking their war materials and heavy guns and ammunition on transports were described as absolutely without foundation. It is learned that some of the goods left behind by traders at Shayuchung and Tamshui had been removed by ships in Bias Bay and this might have given rise to the above reports.

Japanese Residents In The Colony

Japanese residents in the Colony have received no instructions from their Consulate with regard to leaving the Colony, a spokesman of the Japanese Consulate-General in Hongkong told the press yesterday.

The spokesman declared that no Japanese men, women or children had been ordered to leave and they were remaining in Hongkong.

MANILA EVACUEES

It was learned yesterday from reliable sources that Hongkong evacuees in Manila and Bagio have received instruction from the British Consulate to proceed as soon as possible to Australia.

Refugees In The Colony

A decrease of 14 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps, etc., in urban and rural areas is revealed in the returns for the week ending on Feb. 15.

Urban Areas:

King's Park—1,292 against 1,292 on Feb. 8.

Ka Tau Chung—1,444 against 1,424 on Feb. 8.

North Point—1,459 against 1,461 on Feb. 8.

Morrison Hill—533 against 533 on Feb. 8.

Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps):

Tai Hang—2,557 against 2,557 on Feb. 8.

Ngan Tau Kok—798 against 798 on Feb. 8.

Rural Areas:

Kain Tin—1,793 against 1,856 on Feb. 8.

Fanling Children's Camp—328 against 297 on Feb. 8.

Total—10,204 against 10,218 on Feb. 8.

Coolies Stage Mild Demonstration

Fifteen hundred coolies held up the ventilation test being carried out at the air raid tunnels opposite the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the Chartered Bank yesterday morning when they demanded higher payment for their services.

The coolies, who wanted to be paid more than 15 cents for their work, carried out a mild demonstration, but after negotiations agreed to carry on with the test. The exhaust fan system of ventilation in the A.R.P. tunnels was the subject of the test.

140 STREET GUARDS SWORN IN

About 140 street guards took their oath before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., the First Magistrate, at the Central Police Station on Monday after having completed a short course at the Police Training School.

The Street Guards, some 500

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS**AT CENTRAL****CLERK DISCHARGED**

D. S. Mangaram, shop assistant, was charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with on Apr. 30, 1940, then being a clerk in the employ of Amelia Advaney, fraudulently embezzling the sum of \$45.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers appeared for the prosecution, while defendant was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

In asking for discharge of his client, Mr. Silva said that defendant was employed by complainant in looking after accounts. Some time ago, defendant left the job on account of a misunderstanding with complainant's husband. After he left, complainant's husband went through the books. Seeing that there were three entries of sums drawn from the bank without detail, he demanded an explanation from defendant, to which the latter steadfastly refused.

It was alleged that Sapper Johns forged the signature of Major D. M. J. Murray, Officer Commanding 40th Fortress Company, R. E., on a form guaranteeing payment of \$10 per week to the Mary Silk Store by accused and authorising the firm to allow him credit up to \$150.

He was further alleged to have uttered this document to the firm and to have attempted to obtain a blue of "patrol," underwear and other goods.

Captain Cartwright-Taylor produced evidence of the record and character of the accused, in the course of which mention was made of civil Court proceedings at the Kowloon Magistracy in October last year, when Johns was involved in charges connected with the theft of a radio set. Johns was bound over on one of the charges in that case, and fined and ordered to pay amends on the other.

ADDRESS TO COURT

Addressing the Court on behalf of the accused, Captain Le Seelie said that Johns was a young soldier of three years' service. He was a very hard worker and until he got into bad company, he had no troubles at all. The civil conviction over the wireless case seemed to be the start of his troubles. Johns got into the company of a certain Sapper and appeared to be influenced by that man. There was no proof that he was in his clutches, but every body suspected as much.

While accused was away at Camp, he had behaved very well, but on coming back into Barracks he got into touch with the Sapper mentioned before and trouble began once more. It was probable, Captain Le Seelie continued, that the silk store incident arose through Johns attempting to get money to keep someone quiet.

TRIED TO COMMIT SUICIDE

The Defending officer asked the Court to take into consideration the fact that accused actually obtained nothing, either in the way of money or goods from the silk store, and that on the morning following his arrest he made two attempts to commit suicide, for which he was sent to hospital.

It was only in the course of a month since accused came back from Camp, that all the trouble had arisen. Captain Le Seelie concluded.

RUNAWAY CAR IN KOWLOON**PORTUGUESE YOUTH SERIOUSLY INJURED**

Serious injuries were sustained by Francisco d'Eca, a 4-year-old Portuguese boy, of No. 8 Observatory Road when he was knocked down by a runaway car at Observatory Hill on Monday afternoon.

The boy and his Chinese aman, Ng Yan, were admitted to the Kowloon Hospital but the latter was not detained.

It is believed that the runaway car, No. 4744, which was parked on the slope, was pushed by three boys thus relaxing the brakes.

The car was badly damaged when it ended its downhill rush against a wall.

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The Street Guards, some 500

taining nine commercial letters and two personal letters was found in his pocket. When arrested, defendant admitted that he got them off a trawler just arrived from Formosa.

Pleading guilty, defendant was fined \$50.

HEARING FIXED

Hearing of the case in which Wan Chi-wong, 31, and Li Ping, 37, both described as brokers, were charged with attempting to steal 19.7 piculs of wolfram ore, valued at \$3,000, by means of a trick from Hul Shing, accountant of Tung Shing Loong Firm, Cheung Chau Island, between Jan. 7 and 10 was provisionally fixed for Mar. 6 at 2:30 p.m. by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ is appearing for the prosecution and Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman for the Police, while the defendants will be represented by Mr. P. Y. Woo.

STOWAWAY IN COURT

Appearing on remand before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday, Bernard Claussen, 29, of Holland, charged with being a stowaway on board the steamer Lyreemun between Saigon and Hongkong on Feb. 14, was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment.

Arrangements to be made for defendant to leave the Colony were also ordered.

AT KOWLOON**GAMBLERS FINED**

A fine of \$100 was imposed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara on each of the two defendants, Wu Kam, 30, shop-keeper, and Leung Cheung, 29, crane operator, for keeping No. 40, Bowring Street, second floor, as a common gaming house.

Two women, Cheng Siu-ying and Chung San, who were charged with gambling, had their ball of \$5 each estranged when they failed to appear.

Table money totalling \$32.19 was ordered to be placed in the Poor Box.

Det.-Sgt. H. J. Baldwin prosecuted.

PETTY LARCENY

Fos larceny of \$13, a metal wrist watch and four pieces of clothing. Kwok Kam-chui, 20, was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour by Mr. Macnamara yesterday.

Defendant was arrested on information at Killung Street the same evening.

MAGISTERIAL WARNING

Hearing of the case in which Chong Lin, 22, Or Yuk, 17, a 14-year-old girl and a 10-year-old girl, were charged with shoplifting, was concluded before Mr. Elmsworth yesterday.

First defendant, who was convicted of larceny of a metal necklace and bracelet and a pair of stockings, was bound over in the sum of \$50 to be of good behaviour for one year and ordered to pay \$22.35 compensation to complainants. The 10-year-old girl, who was also convicted, was cautioned, while the other defendants were dismissed.

In passing sentence Mr. Elmsworth warned first accused, who was the mother of the 10-year-old girl, that such a young girl should not be misled.

Mr. Percy Chen appeared for the defence.

SNATCHER REMANDED

A 19-year-old schoolgirl, Lau Chi-ching, was the victim of a handbag snatcher who was arrested and charged before Mr. D.J.N. Anderson yesterday. Accused was Ko Shin-hing, 19, who was remanded for 24 hours.

Sgt. A. L. Gordon prosecuted.

PROFITEER CHARGED

Alleged to have sold two catties of second grade rice for 22 cents which was 4 cents in excess of the price fixed by the Controller of Food, residing at No. 58, Kennedy Road, second floor, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry with a breach of the Defence Regulations by conveying 11 letters into the Colony otherwise than by post on Feb. 10.

Sgt. Brooks of the S. E. prosecuting, stated that at 9 a.m. on that day, defendant was seen on board junk No. 2450V lying in praya in Wanchai Bay opposite a Japanese store. A packet con-

taining nine commercial letters

and two personal letters was

found in his pocket. When ar-

rested, defendant admitted that

he got them off a trawler just

arrived from Formosa.

Pleading guilty, defendant was

fined \$50.

Hearing was fixed for Friday.

HEROIN PILLS

A fine of \$2,500, in default, six months' hard labour, and a further 12 months' hard labour were imposed by Mr. Anderson yesterday on Leung Shui, 49, for possession of 10,069 heroin pills at No. 7, Cheung Loh Street.

Li Ting, 50, woman, who was

similarly charged, was dismissed owing to insufficient evidence

against her.

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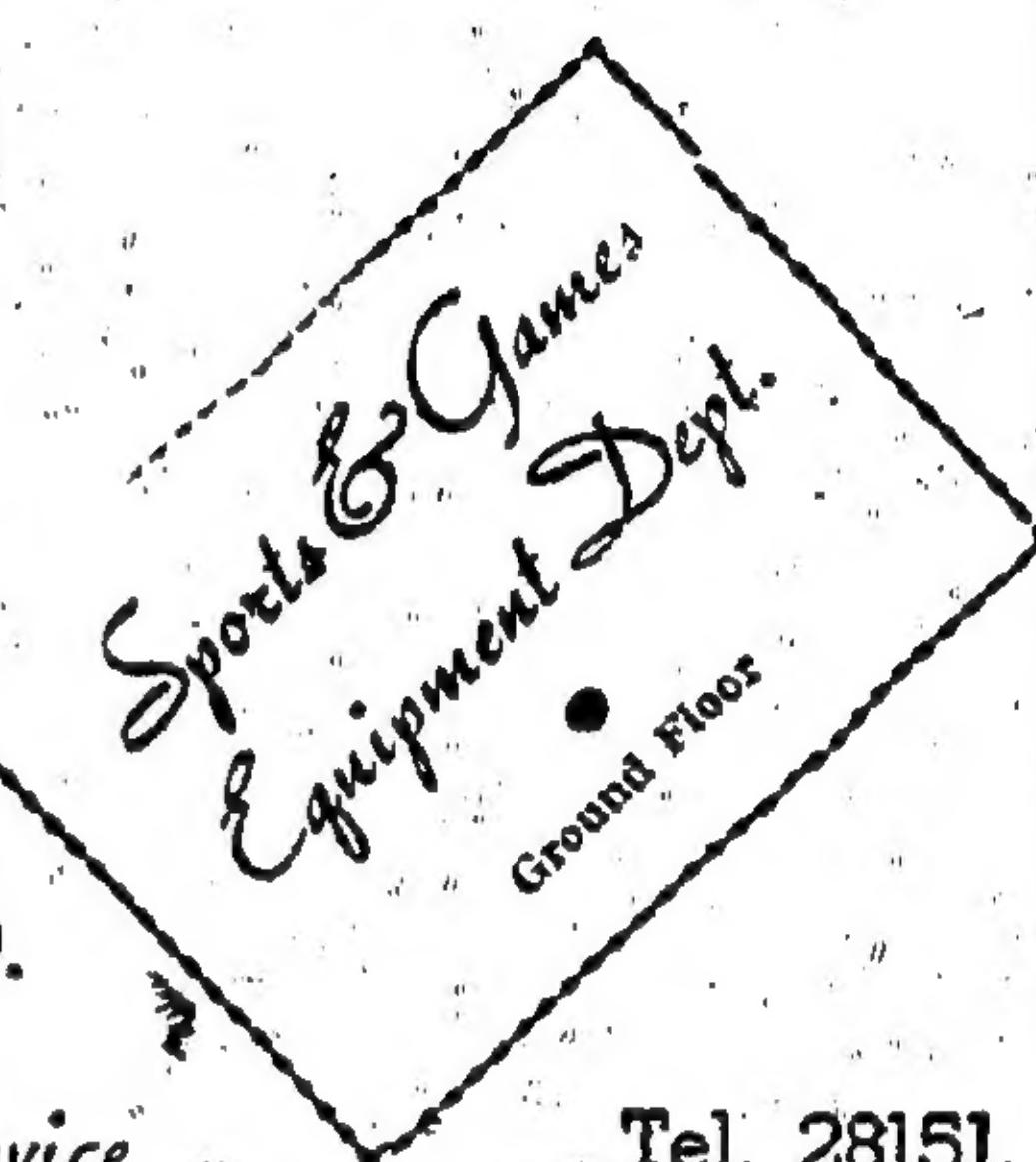
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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 19th February, 1941, to Friday, the 28th February, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,
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Hong Kong, 12th February, 1941.

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MOBILE CANTEENS

The British War Organisation Fund received the following telegram from the Red Cross and St John War Organisation, London:

"Your letter December 3 very much regret now impossible obtain Mobile Canteens due difficulties procure material stop you would render greatest service if you agree £1,500 earmarked relief air raid victims."

It will be remembered that a sum of £1,500 was remitted (on December 3, 1940) for the purchase of Mobile Canteens. In view of the above communication it has now been agreed that the funds be diverted for the relief of air raid victims, as suggested in the Red Cross cable.

EDITORIAL

CHINA AND MODERN OBSTETRICS

Interesting Lecture By Prof. Gordon King

"IN China, until quite recent times, and even now in many parts of the country, it is safe to say that the majority of the births have been in the hands of comparatively ignorant and completely untrained women, just as was the case in Europe a hundred years ago."

The above is an extract from a lecture entitled "China and Modern Obstetrics" given by PROF. GORDON KING, F.R.C.S., F.R.C.O.G., at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening. The lecture, held under the auspices of the Hongkong Nurses' and Midwives' Association, was largely attended.

Prof. King traced the progress and development in the practice of obstetrics up to the present time, from the introduction of the forceps, by William Chamberlen in the 17th century to the discovery of chloroform by Sir James Y. Simpson in 1847, and the great discovery concerning the infectious nature of puerperal fever by Oliver Wendell Holmes (in America) and Semmelweis (in Austria).

"The present century," went on Prof. King, "has been notable for several lines of advance, such as the planned attack upon maternal mortality and morbidity, the new attack on infantile mortality, the development of the movement for antenatal care and the State recognition of midwives."

INFANTILE MORTALITY

On the question of infantile mortality, the speaker cited as an example the Netherlands where in 30 years the rate had decreased from 166 to 49 per 1,000 births. This was achieved by popular education of mothers.

In China, even today, the speaker revealed, no fewer than 500 women perish daily as a result of the various complications of childbirth, which, even now in many parts of the country, have been in the hands of ignorant and completely untrained women.

Western obstetric methods came to China with the advent of Western medicine over 100 years ago, largely in connexion with missionary hospital, but it was not until 1929 this work was on a nation-wide scale when the "National Midwifery Board" was established under the Chinese Government.

THE WEATHER

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 6.99 inches against an average of 2.29.

Maximum temperature yesterday was 65 and the minimum 62.

The Royal Observatory reports:

The anticyclone continues to decrease in intensity, pressure remaining highest over Korea and the neighbouring seas.

out their duties to the satisfaction of the public and protestations are beginning to become more and more insistent for a full and complete inquiry into the qualifications of those who have been assigned to duties for which they appear to be unsuited. It must be borne in mind that these criticisms and complaints have not only come from the poorer classes of the population, who, through ignorance of the meaning of the whole scheme, have become the victims for the blatant methods of racketeers, but from responsible business concerns which have been greatly inconvenienced by lack of responsibility with which the officers of the department have been performing their duties. We understand that shipping firms, for instance, are a great deal concerned over the delays caused by inspectors of the department. It is inconceivable that this state of affairs can continue and a thorough investigation into the working of the department will have to be undertaken if it is to secure any public confidence in the future. We believe that a demand for such an investigation is to be shortly made and the Government would be advised to approve of it and have it conducted at the earliest opportunity.

THIS NEGLECT to take proper measures to have the whole scheme explained to all and sundry has created evils which have grown to proportions that it seems difficult to check now. What has aggravated the position is the utter inefficiency with which the department continues its activities. Appointments to responsible positions in the office have been made with a haphazardness that has soon become evident. Few, if any, of the newly-appointed officers seem capable of carrying

DOCTOR STRUCK OFF REGISTER

LONDON.—Dr. Martin Herboldt Jacobs, 46, whose marriage has been dissolved and who is now living in South Africa with another man's wife, was found guilty by the General Medical Council of "infamous conduct in a professional respect." His name was ordered to be erased from the Medical Register. He was registered as of Oldstreet, E.C.

The charge against him was that he committed adultery with Gladys Ethel Iverleigh, a married woman—of which adultery he was found guilty by a decree dissolving his own marriage in February, 1940—and that he stood in professional relationship with Mrs. Iverleigh or her family from about the beginning of 1934 until November, 1934.

RELIGIOUS GROUNDS

Mrs. Iverleigh's husband, it was stated, objected to divorce on religious grounds.

In a letter to the Council Mr. Jacobs wrote: "Mrs. Iverleigh had never been a patient of mine, and had twice left her husband I have lived with her, and we are still living together most happily. That gives us confidence. He has new difficulties to overcome."

"She has been given the only real affection she has ever had in her life, and she has given me the most blessed and harmonious years I have ever had in my adult life."

EX-HEADMAN HANGS HIMSELF

An aged ex-headman of Mudara named Amarsingharachage Don Seodoris, was found hanging from a beam in his son-in-law's watch hut in Mirigama.

A post-mortem examination was held on the deceased of Mirigama's District Medical Officer, Dr. W. A. Thomas.

Mr. D. S. Dassenake, the Coroner, who held an enquiry, was of opinion that the deceased took his life in a drunken fit. He returned a verdict accordingly.

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DERBY TICKETS STOLEN

The loss of a number of Derby tickets was reported to the Police yesterday.

Leung San, a woman of Cheung Chau, reported that while travelling in a tram at the Central district yesterday she had jewellery, money and five Derby tickets, to the total value of \$117, stolen from her.

A man, Lung Chau, electrician, also reported that eight Derby tickets were stolen from him yesterday.

RED CROSS RELIEF WORK DESCRIBED

The Red Cross relief work in Free China has been placed on an organised and systematic basis but the greatest problem remains to be an insufficiency of doctors and nurses, declared Dr. Robert Kho-seng Lim, Director of the Red Cross Relief Corps, in an interview with Central News. Dr. Lim made a special trip to Hongkong from Kweiyang by air last Saturday to attend the annual conference of the National Red Cross Society of China.

Aside from the urgent demand for more doctors and nurses, the eminent physician said, there is also a dire need of a continuous supply of medicine. He expressed the hope that more contributions will be forthcoming.

Outlining the Red Cross relief work, Dr. Lim said that with headquarters in Kweiyang, there are more than 100 relief units scattered at key points in the rear and at the front. Each unit comprises one doctor, two nurses, four dressers about 10 stretcher-bearers and orderlies. A plan is now being worked out whereby the number of these will be increased so that there will be at least one unit attached to an army. This plan is expected to be realised in the current year.

FOREIGN VOLUNTEER

Dr. Lim revealed that there are over 20 foreign volunteer doctors among the Red Cross relief units. Sent to China by the China Campaign Committee, they included Poles, Romanians and Hungarians, who formerly rendered their services in the late Civil War in Spain. Their role in this country is largely to help train the relief personnel. Dressed in Chinese army uniforms, they live a simple and austere life devoid of all comforts without any complaints.

To solve the problem of the insufficiency of the medical personnel, Dr. Lim said, training centres have been established in almost every war zone. Each centre is provided with a training hospital, and between 300 to 500 candidates are under training which takes a period of three months.

One of the cardinal problems being tackled with by the Red Cross, Dr. Lim continued, is the prevention of epidemic diseases. He revealed that while the number of

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1941.

CAN JAPAN SUCCEED WHERE ITALY FAILED? MR. BARTLETT'S VIEWS

"Is there any reason to think that if Italy failed to get what she wanted to get in France, when France was down and out, when we were being pressed at Dunkirk and when the United States was still undecided on the attitude she should take—is there any reason to think that if Italy failed then, Japan will succeed now?" asked MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., well-known authority on international developments, when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"Herr Hitler and his heel-clicking generals are putting the final touches to complete their plans for the domination of Europe—and not only Europe, but the world," began Mr. Bartlett.

ZERO HOUR NEAR

"Our people here are almost relieved now to think that zero hour is very near." Last year Herr Hitler called the tune and this year he has not got it all his own way. That gives us confidence. He has new difficulties to overcome.

"A week ago I said that Japan seemed inclined to play her part in spreading the war and that an agreement with Soviet Russia would be an important part of this move. A few days ago Mr. Matsukawa said how much Japan's relations with Soviet Russia were improving. This might induce Japan to think she should attack Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies, without fear of Russia attacking her.

"And yet, the prospects of Japan going to war are so serious that one is not surprised to hear that a great many businessmen in Japan are getting alarmed at the policy of their statesmen."

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"WHERE ITALY FAILED"

Mr. Bartlett went on to state that a great part of the materials Japan would need if she went to war came to her from the great western democracies and most of her imports came from countries in the Southern Pacific which might now easily be turned into battlefields. Japan could have united with China in the market.

"But Japan has united China against her," went on Mr. Bartlett. "Possibly the Japanese Government does not think very much of the government of Signor Mussolini. But, they cannot neglect to take note of what has happened to the man who decided to stay in Albania and get what war of nerves, surely this offering was going at that time without a part of their territory to an fighting for it. You do not for other country would only strengthen their policy of resistance."

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"Whatever Bulgaria may do, I cannot better conclude by quoting from a Turkish newspaper, which states: 'Turkey cannot remain indifferent to the challenge to her security by the entry of German troops into Bulgaria. We must be ready and Turkey is ready.'

ANOTHER OFFER

"Another offer to Yugoslavia is an outlet to the Mediterranean at Salonika. That is more attractive to them. But Salonika is part of Greece and Germany is not yet at war with Greece. The German minister at Athens is said to be trying to make the Greeks agree to these terms, provided the Greeks break off relations with Britain."

"There is not the slightest sign that the Greek Government is going to be caught in this trap. But if there were any Greeks who felt like surrendering to Herr Hitler's France in the back and get what war of nerves, surely this offering was going at that time without a part of their territory to an fighting for it. You do not for other country would only strengthen their policy of resistance."

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"We in Great Britain cannot see that reason and we are wondering to what extent all these threats become part of the war of nerves. JAPAN'S ECONOMIC POSITION

"Mr. Bartlett next commented on Japan's economic position. He stated that Japan's harvest had been the worst in many years. The conscription of business had greatly reduced the country's output and this year Japan would have to import between 80 million and 140 million bushels of rice from abroad.

"Where can they get it from?" continued Mr. Bartlett. "Some of it might come from Indo-China and Thailand if their present exports were all diverted to Japan. Some of it might come from the Dutch East Indies, but the use of threats will not obtain it. Japan, therefore, by extending the war to the South Seas might destroy the only markets from which she gets her rice and in the line of these markets is a strong line of Anglo-American bases."

Mr. Bartlett said that Britain and America had, in the past, been the best markets for Japanese products and now Japan's industrial production was decreasing.

"If Tokyo goes to war to satisfy Herr Hitler it will be proof of what Herr Hitler himself has been doing and that is to distract attention from trouble at home by starting trouble abroad."

"Since Japan joined the Axis, a German now sits in the Ministry of the Interior in Tokyo and very

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If you've a joke that'll provoke laughter, Send it in.

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Japan Ready To Mediate "In Any War"

TOKYO, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—Japan is ready to mediate "in any war" if invited and if the situation is favourable, MR. ISHI, the Japanese Government spokesman told foreign Press correspondents this morning.

Mr. Ishii read a prepared statement deploring "the various alarming reports" concerning the situation in the Far East. He sought to stress Japan's desire for peace in contrast to "the warlike preparations by Britain and America to meet the supposed contingencies in the Pacific and the South Seas."

Mr. Ishii added that "we are utterly unable to see the good of prolonging the war." Various alarming reports have reached Japan, purporting to give the impression the situation in East Asia has become radically tense. "We want to repeat the purpose of the Tripartite Pact is peaceful."

The leading Powers have great responsibilities in restoring world peace and civilisation. The spokesman declined to divulge the contents of the recent Britain.

WHAT PRICE WILL JAPAN DEMAND FOR HER WAR MEDIATION?

SAIGON, Feb. 3.—"How big a price will French Indo-China have to pay for Japanese mediation" of this colony's territorial dispute with Thailand? This question, with its menacing implications, faces colonial officials and the general public as they anxiously await the opening of peace negotiations in Tokyo following the recent signing of a truce agreement here, writes Frank Martin in the Manila Bulletin.

Officials are unanimously agreed that the Tokyo negotiations, scheduled to start within a week, will have a great bearing on the future of the colony whose important northern areas already are under Tokyo's thumb.

In engineering the Thai-Indo-China truce agreement last week the Japanese achieved an undisputed coup in their Greater East Asia policy the full significance of which is expected to be made known during the Tokyo parleys.

The French five-man peace delegation, headed by Georges Gauzier, the cabinet director, is leaving for Tokyo shortly to join French Ambassador Henry Arsene for the negotiations.

OUTSTANDING FEATURE
The outstanding feature of Japanese mediation of the Thai-Indo-China dispute was the speed with which the armistice machinery was created, the speed in rounding up delegates and the quick signing of the truce agreement. This gave rise to the belief that Japan has her eye on bigger prizes and is anxious to settle the Indo-China account and "collect" the mediation "fee."

The most valuable Indo-China assets in which Japan may be interested are: first, the Camran naval base on a natural bay easily defended but without modern facilities; second, control of Cape Saint Jacques which controls all duties.

Japanese Anxiety Over Cotton Supply

Japanese cotton mill proprietors in China are anxious over a possible shortage of the cotton supply in the current year.

Prior to the war, the annual yield of cotton from China's cotton-producing areas was estimated at approximately 14,500,000 piculs, including 4,500 piculs from Hopei, Shantung, and Shanghai and 3,800,000 from Kiangsu and Chekiang.

Following the Japanese invasion, there has been a sharp fall in the yield of cotton in North China, owing to the war, drought and Japanese control. In Shanghai the Chinese cotton dealers prefer to sell their cotton to cotton mills of third nationalities rather than the Japanese who usually pay in military notes.

The annual import of cotton in Shanghai last year was approximately 4,000,000 piculs, which partly met the demand of Japanese cotton mills in Shanghai and partly of Japanese cotton mills in Tsingtao.

A rich cotton crop in the outlying districts of Shanghai is anticipated this year but not in North China. The Japanese cotton mills in China have still to purchase cotton from abroad. But the present tension in the Far East is adding difficulties to its import.

DESPATCH CARRIERS

Other armies have used dogs as despatch carriers for many years. In the British Army Airedales have been used for certain tasks, but not to any large extent.

The Germans have been using dogs in the field, and many have been seen "running about in the

German Merchant Vessel Sunk By Naval Aircraft In Mediterranean

LONDON, Feb. 18 (British Wireless)—An official Admiralty communiqué states that GERMAN MERCHANT VESSEL OF ABOUT 4,000 TONS, which was being used by the Italians as a supply ship, has been sunk by naval aircraft in the Central Mediterranean.

AN ITALIAN SUPPLY SHIP OF ABOUT 6,000 TONS has also been successfully attacked by naval aircraft. When last seen, was rising from her. The crew were seen abandoning the ship in lifeboats.

ANOTHER SUPPLY SHIP of about 4,000 tons and an ITALIAN AUXILIARY WARSHIP have been damaged during the attacks by naval aircraft.

All our aircraft returned safely from these attacks, which are in addition to the Fleet Air Arm attacks on merchant ships in the Central Mediterranean mentioned in the R.A.F. Middle East communiqué of Feb. 15.

MERCANTILE LOSSES

LONDON, Feb. 18 (British Wireless)—Mercantile losses due to enemy action for the week ended midnight Feb. 9, totalled 13 ships of 29,806 tons comprising NINE BRITISH, of a total of 19,364 tons, and FOUR ALLIED ships, of 10,442 tons.

The loss during the week is less than one half of the average total of weekly loss since the beginning of the war.

PREPARATIONS BY BRITAIN

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dangerous to us than a walking stick.

The THAINUM says that a Japanese writer has stated that if Japan fights England, Singapore will be attacked from land and air, and it is probably because of this, that England has taken precautionary measures. Does England also fear aggression from Thailand? We would like to convince England that we have no such intention.

Japan, says the SIENGTHAI, has thrown in the greater part of her army in China and she cannot risk her navy in a fight with America. In any case, England, America and China will always be ready to halt a Japanese push whenever it comes.

NO TRUTH IN RUMOUR

BANGKOK, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—The Government has made investigations regarding the rumour that the people of the Southern provinces of Thailand are greatly perturbed by the patrolling of British warships in Thai territorial waters off Songkhla and by the massing of British troops on the Thai border.

There is no truth whatever in this rumour, says a communiqué from London.

ATTACK DISCUSSED

The possibility of an attack on Singapore from the north is frankly discussed by the STRAITS TIMES, states a message from Sydney.

The paper regards a land invasion by way of Thailand as highly improbable. An attack by sea will use up the greater part of any one country's fleet.

German propaganda says that it removes any obstacles so far as the Nazis are concerned for the moving of German troops across Bulgaria.

Britain regards the pact in a different light, and takes the view that Turkey has secured for herself freedom of action.—(Special)

KING RETURNING

King Ananda of Thailand is reported to be leaving Europe shortly to return to Bangkok, states a message from Sydney.

He has spent many years in Switzerland for his health and is now proposing to return to his country.—(Special)

FULL REPORT

The Prime Minister of Yugoslavia has sent a full report to the Cabinet of his journey to and his conversations in Berlin and the result of his interviews with Herr Hitler, states a message from Salogn.

The same message, referring to the friendship pact signed between Bulgaria and Turkey, declares that in Sofia it is stated that the agreement is considered as an indication that Turkey will remain neutral in the event of developments in Bulgaria so long as they do not immediately threaten Turkish security.

TRADE TALKS

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—Trade negotiations began yesterday in Moscow between Russia and Bulgaria, according to the German Radio.

BOMBER-TROOP CARRIER

The world's largest bomber-troop carrier will soon be in production in America, states a message from Sydney.

The new machine will be Douglas machine of 80 tons.

Its armaments are at present a secret, but it is stated that it will be powerful enough to beat off any attack without assistance from escorting aircraft.—(Special)

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Driving Wops Out Of Abyssinia

The latest communiqué from CAIRO, according to a London message, reveals how the people of ABYSSINIA are driving the ITALIANS out of the country.

As a result the Italians have now evacuated Danghela on the Gojan road, which is 100 miles to the north of Addis Ababa. Danghela is 150 miles to the north of Addis Ababa.

On all other fronts there was no change.

A report from Nairobi states that operations on the line of the Juba River in Italian Somaliland are continuing.

More Italian prisoners, totalling 650 officers and 1,500 men, have arrived in Bombay.—(Special)

NEW YORK PESSIMISTIC

NEW YORK, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—The comment here in the Press and radio on the Turco-Bulgarian friendship pact is pessimistic.

The news is presented as a Nazi diplomatic triumph and is interpreted as opening a way for an unopposed march of German troops through Bulgaria.

The HERALD-TRIBUNE compares the pact with the Soviet-German pact and sees it "pulling the props from under what is left of the Balkans."

The NEW YORK TIMES thinks the pact is "anything but reassuring" and adds that it seems Russia has influenced the decision.

TRADE TALKS

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—An appeal has been launched for the founding of a woman's scholarship in aviation to commemorate the late Miss Amy Johnson, lone girl pilot whose flights helped to establish Dominion air routes.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18 (Reuter)

American interests are negotiating for the purchase of 20 Italian vessels interned in United States ports, including the Conte Biancamano, according to the Washington correspondent of the NEW YORK HERALD-TRIBUNE. The ships are valued at about \$10,000,000.

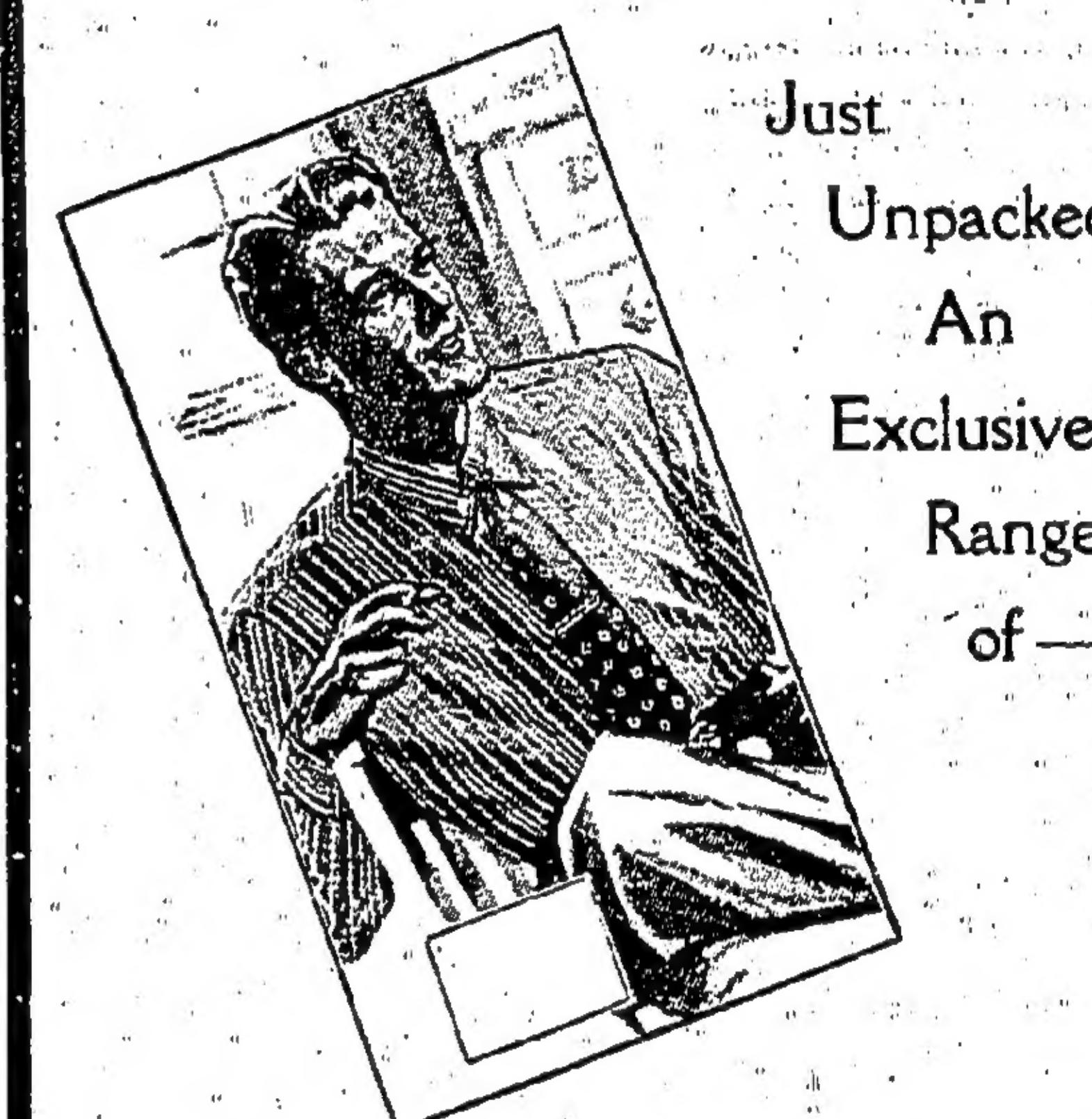


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The St. John's University Alumni Association will hold a dinner in

honour of Dr. F. C. Yen, one of its illustrious members and former Director of the National Health Administration, at the Kiangsu-Chekiang-Shanghai Merchants Association tomorrow at 7.30 p.m. Dr. W. W. Yen, former Chinese Ambassador to Soviet Russia, will also be present.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—Full responsibility was laid on Germany for feeding the people in Nazi occupied countries by Mr. Sumner Welles, in a statement here today. The United States Government, he said, was taking no part in advancing Mr. Herbert Hoover's new experimental plan for European relief.

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Also ran:—Charlesber, 152 lbs. (L. B. Chao); Eve of Deception, 150 (B. L. Tao); Eve of Grandeur, 152 (W. H. S. Davis); World Fair View, 152 (H. C. Ph.).

7 Starters.

Betting

Win. Place.
Charlesber 1,194 1,084
Eve of Deception 95 132
Eve of Grandeur 131 138
Lovelylight 288 295
Olong 2,036 1,324
Velvetlight 462 482
World Fair View 409 377

Total 4,615 3,832

7.—Garrison Cup (From the 2 Miles Post Once Round & In (About One Mile 171 Yards)

Mr. Holland's Dutch Treat, 152 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 1

Mr. C. H. Chan's Bugle, 149 lbs. (Mr. P. Y. T. Wei) 3

Lex Fori was fourth.

Won by a short head, hair a length between second and third.

Time: 2.06.4.

Parl-mutuel:—

Winner: \$78.50.

Places: \$74.90, \$5.90, \$6.80.

Also ran:—Anzac Day, 149 lbs. (H. J. A. Hearne); Corrledo, 152 (D. Black); Daylight, 152 (C. B. Moller); Joan, 152 (S. L. Sung); Lex Fori, 152 (M. M. Sokoloff); National Endurance, 152 (B. L. Tao); Sunspot, 147 (Hoo Pak Ming); Swallow, 152 (S. L. Yuen).

11 Starters.

Betting

Win. Place.
Anzac Day 184 239
Black Seal 2,124 1,802
Bugle 884 879
Corrledo 126 192
Daylight 328 409
Dutch Treat 237 400
Joan 23 54
Lex Fori 248 376
National Endurance 94 151
Sunspot 14 27
Swallow 9 33

Total 4,218 4,562

8.—Austral Derby (1½ Miles)

Mr. Lan's Distant View, 152 lbs. (Mr. H. C. Ph.) 1

Mr. T.K.L.'s Oracle, 151 lbs.

(Mr. V. V. Needa) 2

Mr. P. & L.'s First Love, 152 lbs.

(Mr. S. C. Liang) 3

Gay Fox was fourth.

Won by many lengths, 3 lengths between second and third.

Time: 2.54.1.

Parl-mutuel:—

Winner: \$11.70.

Places: \$6.90, \$19.50, \$9.80.

Also ran:—A Happy Time, 152 lbs. (F. Noodt); Colcooma, 152 (D. Black); Gay Fox, 152 (W. H. S. Davis); Gloaming, 152 (W. G. Poy); Marsh Warbler, 152 (C. B. Moller); National Courage, 152 (E. L. Tao); Nomini Poenea, 152 (L. B. Chao); Prairie View, 152 (P. Y. T. Wei); Vis Major, 152 (M. M. Sokoloff).

12 Starters.

Betting

Win. Place.
A Happy Time 432 380
Colcooma 85 95
Distant View 2,163 1,587
First Love 960 628
Gay Fox 34 47
Gloaming 103 126
Marsh Warbler 250 266
National Courage 164 122
Nomini Poenea 899 859
Oracle 244 207
Prairie View 190 204
Vis Major 224 263

Total 5,748 4,784

9.—Perth Plate (2nd Section) (Half A Mile)

Mr. P. M. Hoo's Bendemeer, 152 lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 1

Mr. G. A. Harriman's Royal Sovereign, 152 lbs.

(Mr. F. Noodt) 2

Mr. C.N.K.'s Newborn Star, 152 lbs. (Mr. D. H. S. Craven) 3

High Hat was fourth.

Won by 2 lengths, 4 lengths between second and third.

Time: 54.1.

Parl-mutuel:—

Winner: \$11.50.

Places: \$5.50, \$5.80, \$5.60.

Also ran:—Angel of Peace, 144 lbs. (R. K. C. Chui); Baggage Master, 152 (H. S. Chang); Bone-shaker, 147 (Chui Ki Fan); Buckfastleigh, 152 (W. H. S. Davis); Gold Rod, 149 (S. C. Liang); High Hat, 149 (W. G. Poy); Leading Star, 152 (G. Treverton); Macy, 144 (Hoo Pak Ming); Starlight, 149 (H. C. Ph.); Trade Wind, 151 (B. L. Tao); Vigor, 152 (S. L. Sung).

14 Starters.

Betting

Win. Place.
Angel of Peace 40 14
Baggage Master 64 77
Benedemeer 1,758 1,419
Bone-shaker 18 23
Buckfastleigh 309 253

Total 4,166 3,216

12.—Wakool Handicap, "B" Class (1 Mile)

Mr. K. I. Ora's Many Thanks, 159 lbs. (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 1

Mr. Tinson's Vixen Tor, 147 lbs.

(Mr. F. Noodt) 2

Mr. T.L.'s Pumpernickel, 153 lbs.

(Mr. B. L. Tao) 3

Won by many lengths, 4 lengths between second and third.

Parl-mutuel:—

Winner: \$28.70.

Places: \$11.60, \$8.70, \$23.90.

Also ran:—Ajax, 140 lbs. (C. L. Gregory); A Roaring Time, 154 (S. L. Sung); Conneifer, 156 (L. B. Chao); Criffel, 158 (D. Black); Derby Day, 135 (Hoo Pak Ming); Devonian, 149 (G. Treverton); Fair Chance, 152 (P. Y. T. Wei); Flying Dutchman, 135 (S. L. Yuen); Franklin, 140 (F. A. Sequeira); Income Tax, 139 (H. S. Chang); Melody Star, 149 (D. H. S. Craven); Rivulet, 144 (K. I. Id); Springhurst, 151 (W. G. Poy).

16 Starters.

Betting

Win. Place.
Ajax 13 17
A Roaring Time 8 7
Conneifer 394 238
Criffel 292 157
Derby Day 10 9
Devonian 53 32
Fair Chance 1,025 732
Flying Dutchman 29 42
Franklin 8 8
Income Tax 115 64
Many Thanks 731 397

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Gold Rod 32 49
High Hat 31 52
Leading Star 68 89
Macy 16 24
Newborn Star 917 966
Royal Sovereign 1,111 815
Starlight 96 116
Trade Wind 131 123
Vigor 20 35

Total 4,579 4,055

10.—Lusitano Cup (1½ Miles)

Mr. C.C.F.'s Santa Anita, 153 lbs. (Mr. S. C. Liang) 1

Mr. Dynasty's King's Flight, 152 lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 2

Mr. L.W.S.'s Corsair, 150 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 3

Sports Lady was fourth.

Won by 3 lengths, 2 lengths between second and third.

Time: 2.30.2.

Parl-mutuel:—

Winner: \$19.40.

Places: \$74.90, \$11.90.

Also ran:—National Blessings, 152 lbs. (B. L. Tao); Ophir, 154 (S. L. Sung); Seal River, 149 (D. Black); Seventy Six, 152 (Hoo Pak Ping); Sports Lady, 149 (R. M. Wood); Sydney Diamond, 152 (H. S. Chang); Sydney Lady, 152 (H. J. A. Hearne); The Hawk, 152 (W. H. S. Davis).

11 Starters.

Betting

Win. Place.

Corsair 541 485
King's Flight 407 399
National Blessings 89 85
Ophir 25 67
Santa-Anita 959 994
Seal River 242 475

Seventy Six 14 17

Sports Lady 16 24

Sydney Diamond 923 680

Sydney Lady 576 434

The Hawk 74 90

Total 4,226 3,752

11.—Amoy Handicap, "D" Class (6 Furlongs)

Mr. Eve's Eve of Peace, 159 lbs.

(Mr. R. M. Wood) 1</p

I SAIL IN A CONVOY

BY FREDERICK SALFELD.

Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent.

This article should be read before a hot fire, after a night's sound-sleep and a good breakfast. It will be easier then to feel the gratitude due to the men with whom I have just finished a voyage in a convoy from Southern Scotland—the men who every day run risks of fog and gale and four kinds of mechanised death, so that England shall not lack food, fuel and all her other means of life.

We made port that morning an hour ahead of schedule. When I said goodbye to the commodore in charge of the convoy he was going to a hotel for his first sleep since four days ago.

I travelled with the commodore. I met him on the pier at 6.30 one morning. It was intensely dark and freezing. His torch gleamed on the frost, greasing the pier's timbers, as we stepped down into the boat, that took us out to the anchorage. We were under way at dawn.

"Better get your tin hat. You'll probably need it," the commodore said. A veteran officer of the Cunard Line—he was in the Queen Mary before the R.N.R. summoned him—he was in hopes of a quiet life in the country. Instead he has to endure week after week the physical and nervous strain of taking convoys north and south through attack by submarines, mines, E-boats and dive bombers. Sometimes he is on the bridge almost continuously, for three days. He is late for meals and he eats them in 10 minutes. This has been his life for over a year.

A pilot took us out to sea. In single file behind us the convoy rode through the mist. Visibility was never more than two miles the whole way, and at dusk our only guides were the pinprick flashes from mark buoys.

READY FOR EMERGENCIES

There are no shore lights or radio beacons these days to help ships along a trick coast with strong tides; but the convoy kept its stations throughout. For some time the pilot took us on a course over which German planes might appear at any minute. We were lucky; the only strange visitor was a barn owl blown out to sea.

Once I saw what looked like the top of a periscope. It was the mast of a sunken ship. A few minutes afterwards a shark's fin turned out to be the torn plate of another wreck. A little later we passed a victim of an enemy mine. Its derricks still showing above the tides.

When we dropped the pilot he shook hands solemnly, for he did not know if he would ever see us again. And as his boat bobbed away astern the commodore's vigil began.

He put on the woollen cap he had worn in the last war, and had never washed it because he did not expect to use it any more.

AMBER CURES DEAFNESS!

Amber and cornelian are now greatly in vogue for jewellery worn in the daytime—a romantic revival of a century-old fashion. Of the two, amber is the first favourite. Particularly people born in July and August should wear amber as their lucky beads.

Amber—that beautiful substance women wear in the shape of beads and clasps and ear-rings and also for the mouth-piece of cigarette holders. What is it?

Nothing but the fossilised gum of the prehistoric pine tree. You will have seen how the pine exudes its resin through the bark.

There were pines—no one knows what species exactly—at an early period in the history of the world, anyhow—which had a little peculiarity. Insects would find themselves caught in their little blisters of gum; the sticky fluid engulfed them as they alighted upon it. Perhaps the resin was sweet and enticing—certainly it had sticky qualities, otherwise there would not be fly in the amber. Legend says that amber is a concretion of birds' tears—but science knows better!

PINE GUM

Eventually, by the action of the sea and earth, that pine gum or resin was converted into the substance with which every smoker is familiar. The gum clung to the fly, and preserved the insect through the ages, while it was being evolved into amber.

The use of amber is old—very old. It is mentioned in the Bible: "And I looked, and beheld a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud and a fire unfolding itself and a brightness was about it and out of the midst thereof as a colour of amber out of the midst of the fire."

In old Grecian times, amber, ground up and mixed with honey and rose oil, was used as a cure for deafness and loss of eyesight. Folk with delicate throats can be found wearing amber beads even today, while in 1660 or thereabouts they were recommended to be "bound to the neck behind, to cure defluxions of the eyes and hung about the neck to keep distillations from the throat."

Finance and Commerce

SOVIET-JAPANESE TRADE PARLEY

MOSCOW, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—The Soviet-Japanese trade negotiations which have been suspended since April were formally resumed yesterday at the Commissariat for Foreign Trade.

The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Tatekawa, and Mr. Miyakawa, Counsellor of the Embassy, conferred with the Foreign Trade Commissar, M. Mikoyan, and his deputy, M. Kaganovitch, for one and a half hours.

It will be recalled that the talks last year dragged on fruitlessly for three months.

FEDERAL RESERVE RETURNS

New York, Feb. 17 (Reuter).—Jan. 22 Feb. 11
(000's omitted)
Total loans \$ 9,287,000 9,377,000
Investments 16,397,000 16,871,000

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1941.

SALES
China Lights Lights ... 150 \$ 0.65
Dairy Farms 50 18.75
H.K. Tramways 100 17.60
..... 200 17.50

500
The total value is \$6,295.00.

EASTERN GROUP SUPPLY COUNCIL

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—Mr. Archibald Carter has assumed charge as Chairman of the Eastern Group Supply Council.

Pending the arrival of representatives from Australia, South Africa and New Zealand, Mr. John Whyatt, Secretary of the Council, has commenced the spade-work.

NAT. FOOD CONFAB IN CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Feb. 18 (Central).

The National Food Conference summoned by the National Food Administration is scheduled to be held in Chungking February 20-26. Delegates from most of the provinces have arrived and proposals are being subjected to a preliminary study by committees.

SPECULATORS GO BANKRUPT

Many speculators of moderate means in Shanghai are reported to have gone bankrupt as a result of the sharp fall of stocks due to the Far Eastern tension.

Losses incurred by the fall on February 14 alone are roughly estimated at between \$25,000,000 and \$35,000,000.—(Central News).

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb. 17 (Reuter).—Bar Gold, Fine per oz. 168/-

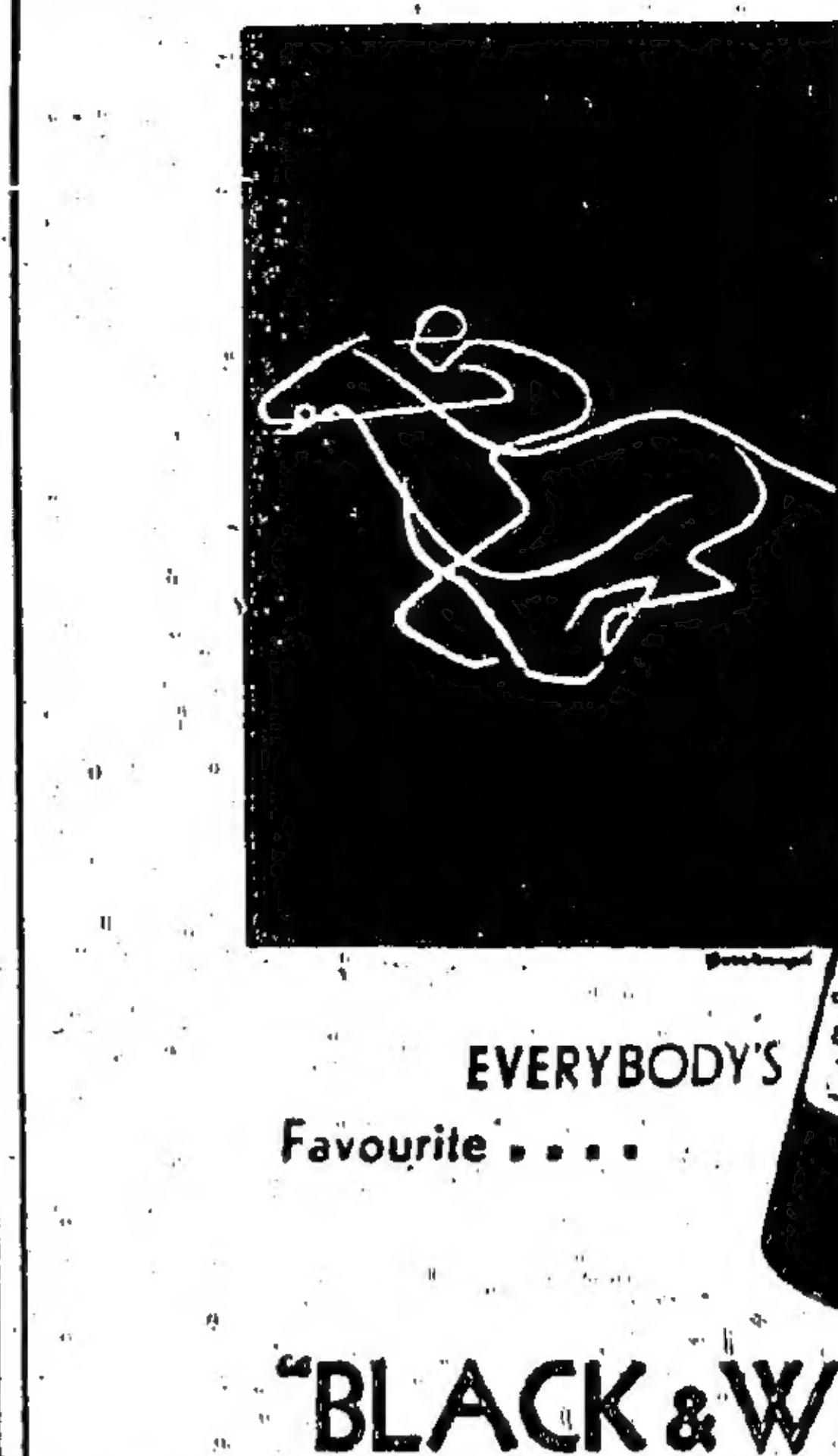
CURE FOR BALDNESS

Several years of research by Dr. K. Reinhardt, who is resident in Shanghai, resulted in her discovery, in 1937, of a successful treatment for baldness and grey hair, which has been patented in America recently. American doctors were working on it for a long time, discovering the value of Vitamin B in rejuvenation, but it was Dr. Reinhardt who brought this research to a successful conclusion in the treatment of human beings.

In an interview the doctor described her treatment and discovery. She originally came across it by accident when treating a lady for an intestinal disease. The treatment included injections of a certain substance, and the effect was a general rejuvenation, including the restoration of natural colour to grey hair. The doctor continued her experiments, finally arriving at a perfect cure. Several German medicine manufacturers, including Bayer, wished to obtain patents on the drug, but the war intervened.

Dr. Reinhardt then went to America, where the Rockefeller Institute tested her cure, and approved of her taking out patents on it. The tests were performed on a boy of 12, who had had neither hair nor eyebrows for six years. After a number of injections the eyebrows grew normally, while hair returned on the head.

She finally took out patents in America, and returned to Shanghai to continue her practice here. Many Shanghailanders heard of her treatment and came for



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examination her degree of success being 100 per cent.

SERIES OF INJECTIONS

The doctor described her treatment as consisting of a series of 20 injections, half being intravenous, and half intramuscular. Her cure for baldness is permanent, hair beginning to grow after the third injection. In the case of the cure for grey hair, however, it is necessary for the patient to have a series of injections every year. A thorough examination of the patient is required before the treatment can be given, however, so that only qualified doctors can perform the cure.

Dr. Reinhardt first got on the track of her cure when she discovered that the reason for there being so few grey-haired Chinese was that they ate rice, which contains a very high percentage of Vitamin B. She followed this course of inquiry in other fields, finally arriving at the solution through the successful treatment of an elderly lady, as mentioned above.

The treatment, besides restoring hair, has a general rejuvenating effect. The course of the cure for baldness is based on glandular improvement, that for grey hair being dependent on the nervous system.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	TUESDAY 18 FEB.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
Banks								
...	X.D.	\$1,400	H.K. Banks	...	C.D.	\$1,360		
...		277	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...		277		
...		270	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...		270		
...		272	Chartered Banks	...		272		
...		273	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...		273		
...		214	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...		214		
776	...	778	Bank of East Asia	...		778		
		15 ct.	N. C. & S. Banks	...		15 ct.		
			Insurances	...				
			Canton Insurances	...				
			Union Insurances	...				
			Underwriters	...				
			H.K. Fire	...				
			Shipping	...				
			Doublases	...				
			Steamboats	...				
			Indo-Chinas (Prof.)	...				
			Indo-Chinas (Def.)	...				
			Shells	...				
			Waterboats	...				
			Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...				
			H.K. & K. Wharves	...				
			Providents	...				
			H.K. Docks (Old)	...				
			H.K. Docks (New)	...				
			+ Shanghai Docks	...				
			Mining	...				
			Kailans	...				
			Rams	...				
			Hong Kong Mines	...				
			Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...				
			H.K. & S. Hotels	...				
			H.K. Lands	...				
			Do. 4% Debentures	...				
			Shanghai Lands	...				
			H.K. Realities	...				
			Humphreys	...				
			Chinese Estates	...				
			Cotton Mills	...				
			Ewe (8)	...				
			Shai Cottons (S.)	...				
			Zong Sing (S.)	...				
			Wing On Textiles (S.)	...				
			Public Utilities	...				
			H.K. Tramways	...				
			Peak Trams (old)	...				
			Peak Trams (new)	...				
			Star Ferries	...				
			Vanti Ferries	...				
			China Lights (O.)	...				
			China Lights (New)	...				
			H.K. Electric (Old)	...				
			H.K. Electric (New)	...				
			Macao Electric (Old)	...				
			Macao Electric (New)	...				
			Sandakan Light	...				
			Telephones (old)	...				
			Telephones (new)	...				
			Spore Traction (Ord.)	...				
			Industrials	...				
			Cald. Macq. (Ord.) 8	...				
			Cald. Macq. (Prof.) 8	...				
			81	...				
			Canton Ice	...				
			Cement	...				
			H.K. Hops	...				
			H.K. Govt					

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS

FEBRUARY 18, 1941.

On London—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/3/8

Bank Bills, on demand 1/3/8

Credits 4 months' sight

On Shanghai—
On demand 420On Singapore—
On demand 53 3/4On Japan—
On demand 103 1/2On India—
Telegraphic Transfer 83 1/2

and demand 83 1/2

On New York—
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8

Credits 80 days' sight 24 7/4

On Batavia—
On demand 45 1/4On Paris—
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.

Credits 4 months' sight Nom.

On Saigon—
On demand 104 1/2On Manila—
On demand 48 1/4On Bangkok—
On demand 149 1/3On Sterling Notes—
Bank Buying Rate ... Nom.

Bar Silver per oz ... 23 1/4

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Tuesday, Feb. 18.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/4 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady, with no business done. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403 1/4.

MARKET
Quiet for Sterling, U.S. Dollars were firmer.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 Feb.-April, buyers at 1/3-1/32 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 247 1/16. Subsequently sellers were offering 241/2 without attracting any buyers. The market closed with sellers at 249 1/16 for Cash and probable buyers at 2411/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 427. The highest rate touched was 429 1/2. Business was arranged at various rates and at the close there were sellers at 427 1/2 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 315/32. The market was steady and last advices indicated sellers at 31 1/2 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 521/32 for Spot. The market was firm throughout the morning. Last advices received indicated sellers at 53 1/4 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Feb. 18 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening 9/3-2/8
London 5-1/2
New York 5-1/2
Japan 22-3/8
India 18-3/4
Paris nominal
Hongkong 22-3/8

Sterling

Sellers
Opening 0/3-15/32 0/3-1/2
Spot 0/3-15/32 0/3-1/2
Feb. 0/3-29/32 0/3-1/2
Mar. 0/3-29/32 0/3-1/2

U. S. Dollars

Spot 5-21/32 5-3/4
Feb. 5-21/32 5-3/4
Mar. 5-5/8 5-23/32
Market—Quiet.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 23 1/4 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Feb. 17, (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Feb. 17 (Reuter). Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 95-02-0.LONDON METALS EXCHANGE
London, Feb. 17 (Reuter). Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, 5268-1/4.
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, 5284-3/8.
Market strong.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Feb. 17, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.24	10.17	10.18	10.19	.01 up
New York Rubber, March	20.55	20.50	20.55	20.55	.03 up
Chicago Wheat, May	79	78	79	78	1 off
Chicago Corn, May	60	59	59 1/2	59 1/2	14 off
New York Hides, March	12.63	12.55	12.72	12.65	.17 off

Total sales Saturday—80,000 bales.

The first notice day for March Cotton is 26/2/41 and last day is 14/3/41.

NEW YORK RUBBER

	March	May	July	October	December	January
Bank Bills, on demand	20.25	20.35	20.55	20.55	20.55	20.55
Credit 4 months' sight	20.11b	20.25b	20.39b/40a	20.55	20.55	20.55
September	19.45n	19.75/75	19.72b/75a	19.72b/75a	19.72b/75a	19.72b/75a

Total sales—170 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	May	July	September
Bank Bills, on demand	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
Credit 4 months' sight	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2

Saturday's sales—4,808,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	May	July	September
Bank Bills, on demand	60 1/2	60 1/2	59 1/2
Credit 4 months' sight	60 1/2	60 1/2	59 1/2

Total sales for the day—35 contracts.

NEW YORK COCOA

	March	May	July	September
Bank Bills, on demand	5.54 N	5.55/63	5.62 N	.08 up
Credit 4 months' sight	5.63 N	5.70/70	5.69/69	.06 up

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3:

	March	May	July	September
Bank Bills, on demand	2.03b/04a	—	2.05b/08a	.02 up
Credit 4 months' sight	2.08b/08a	—	2.10b/11a	.02 up

Volumes of business done—246 lots.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4:

	March	May	July	September
Bank Bills, on demand	.66b/.684a	.66/.67	.69b/.70a	.03 up
Credit 4 months' sight	.70b/.701a	.71b/.714	.73b/.734a	.03 up

Total sales for the day—unreceived.

The first notice day for March is 17/2 and last day is 28/2.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	March	July	NY. Official Silver	NY-London Cross Rate
Bank Bills, on demand	11.49b/54a	11.45b/55a	11.52b/55a	11.52b/55a

NY-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/4

Forward 23-1/4.

Spot 23-1/4.

Forward 23-1/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

	Bombay, Feb. 17 (Reuter).	Market—Quiet. Oftake 300 bars.
Ready	63-03	63-03
Settlement	63-02	63-02
Mar. 25 Settlement	63-00	63-00

Indian Mint Silver

	Ready	Feb. 21 Settlement	Mar. 25 Settlement
Defence Loan	63-03	63-02	63-00
Anton-K'loon Rly. 5%	13	13	13

Chinese 4% Gold Loan

	1898 (Brit. Issue)	1925/47
Great Western Rly.	44	42 to 47
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds	44	42 to 47

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds

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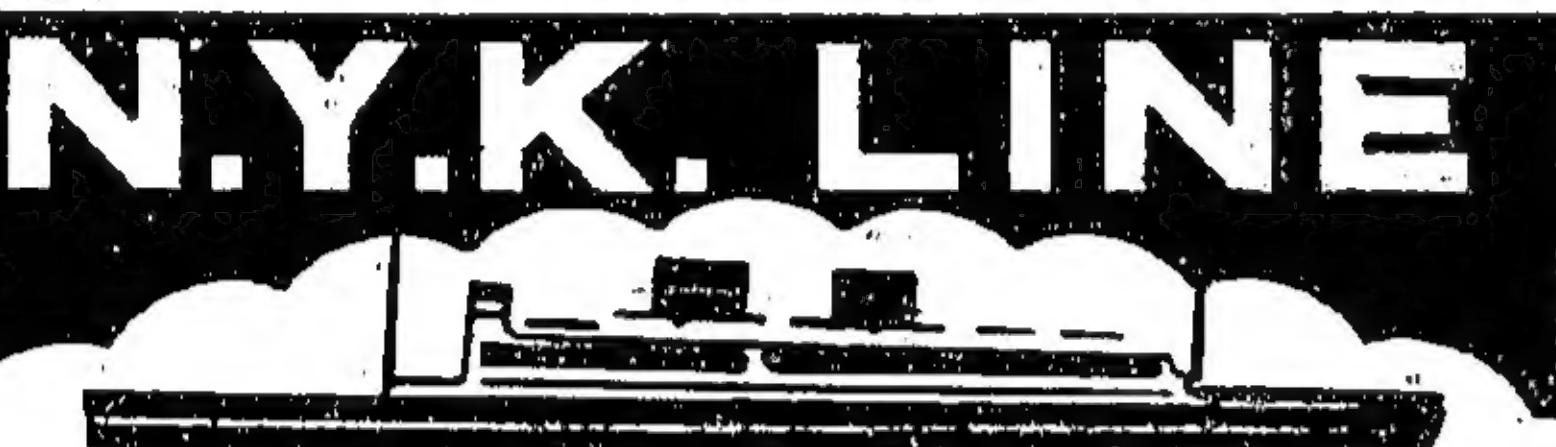
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TO NEW YORK and BOSTON via MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY and CAPE TOWN	
S.S. "PRESIDENT GRANT"	Mar. 23
S.S. "PRESIDENT JACKSON"	Mar. 23
S.S. "PRESIDENT HAYES"	Apr. 20
TO MANILA	
S.S. "PRESIDENT PIERCE"	Feb. 26
S.S. "PRESIDENT TAFT"	Mar. 11
S.S. "PRESIDENT CLEVELAND"	Mar. 26
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NITTA MARU	Tuesday, 11th Mar.
SEATTLE & VANCOUVER (Starts from Kobe)	
HIE MARU	Wednesday, 12th Mar.
SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Hilo & San Francisco.	
* SANUKI MARU (starts from Kobe)	Thursday, 20th Feb.
NEW YORK via Japan & Panama	
* AWATA MARU	Thursday, 20th Mar.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila.	
HUSIMI MARU	Wednesday, 26th Feb.
SAIGON	
* DAKAR MARU	Sunday, 23rd Feb. (Cargo accepted for Saigon).
BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.	
ANYO MARU	Saturday, 1st Mar.
RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore	
* NAGATO MARU	Friday, 21st Feb.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	
TATUTA MARU	Tuesday, 25th Feb.
ATUTA MARU	Monday, 3rd Mar.
NITTA MARU	Tuesday, 11th Mar.
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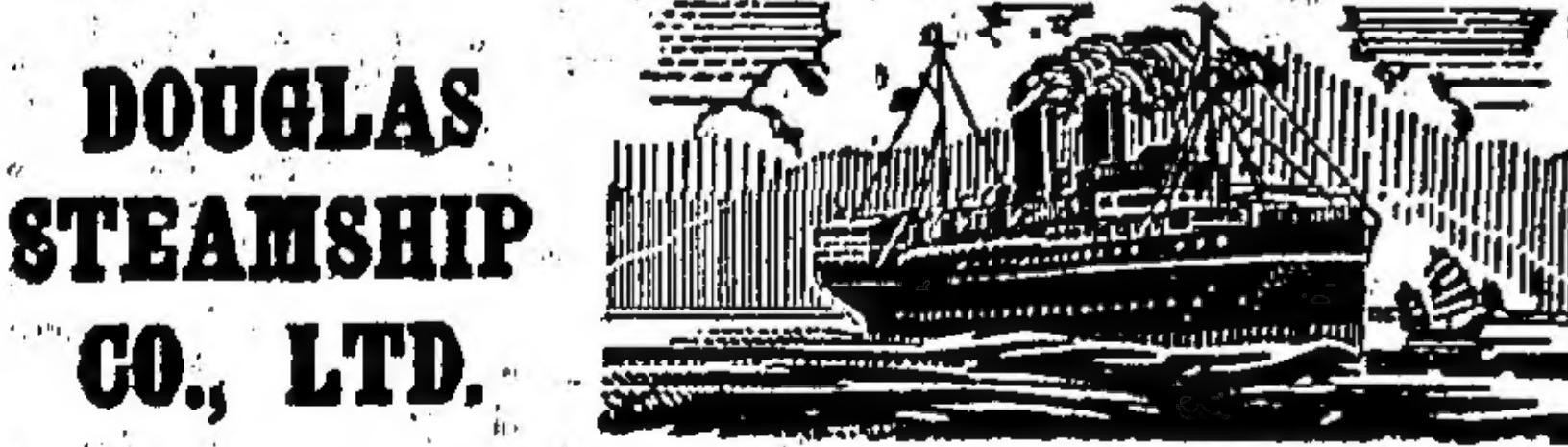
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BUDGET DEBATE TOMORROW

Estimates Slashed Down To \$52,483,294

NEW P.A.A. TRANS-ATLANTIC ROUTING

Change Necessitated By Strong Headwinds

Inaugurating a new trans-Atlantic air route via Africa, the Dixie Clipper, with Wendell Willkie aboard, recently returned to New York from a scheduled westbound Atlantic flight.

This new air routing is to continue through the winter months in order to avoid the constant headwinds which beat upon each Europe - to - America westbound flight over the North Pacific. To overcome this, westbound Clippers will, for the remainder of the winter months, be routed home via Africa.

The Clippers on this new routing leave Lisbon in the afternoon, flying throughout the night down the west coast of Africa, past Morocco, between the Canary Islands and Spanish Sahara, past Gambia into Balmania, Portuguese Africa—a flight of 1,917 miles.

Refueled, the Clippers push westward to Port of Spain, Trinidad, on the longest non-stop operation ever attempted by commercial aviation—3,100 miles. This flight is 700 miles longer than the flight between San Francisco and Honolulu on the trans-Pacific service.

In spite of the lengthy trip, prevailing easterly trades push the Clippers along with loads twice as large as could be accommodated on the North Atlantic routing. From Port of Spain the flight again turns northward another 1,600 miles to Bermuda and then on to New York.

Trans-Atlantic route mileage is now 3,200 miles eastbound between New York and Lisbon and 7,200 miles on the return trip via Africa.

PASSENGERS

DEPARTURES FROM THE COLONY

The following passengers left Hongkong by the Pres. Coolidge on Saturday:

Mr. Parsram Alidas, Mr. Louis Bartholomees, Miss B. M. de Sousa, Miss F. Dumayra, Mr. H. G. McNearry, Mr. Max Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Preston, Mr. Seltaro Sakae, Mr. Dalip Singh, Mr. Gaston Willoquet, Mr. Antonio Wilson.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 19 to 26 Feb. 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	19	h. m.	m. s.	h. m.	m. s.
		02 25	4 5	08 03	3 1
		15 25	6 0	22 47	2 4
Thur.	20	07 07	4 1	08 55	3 5
		16 34	6 2		
Fri.	21	08 54	4 1	09 18	2 0
		17 47	6 4	10 21	3 7
		08 00	4 3	01 20	1 6
Sat.	22	18 53	6 6	11 52	3 7
		08 55	4 5	02 05	1 3
		19 48	6 8	12 56	3 5
Sun.	23	09 28	4 6	02 42	1 1
		20 37	7 0	13 47	3 3
Mon.	24	09 57	4 9	03 14	1 1
		21 20	7 0	14 32	2 9

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Feb. 18.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.04 ins.

Temperature, 63 F.

Humidity, 93 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/N

Wind Force (Beaufort), 6.

Temperature: maximum yesterday,

67 F.

Temperature: minimum last night,

65 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs, ending 10th

today, 0.02 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st,

6.99 ins.

Against an average of, 2.29 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.21 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.33 a.m.

4 p.m., Feb. 18.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.96 ins.

Temperature, 62 F.

Humidity, 97 per cent.

Wind Direction, WNW.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 65 F.

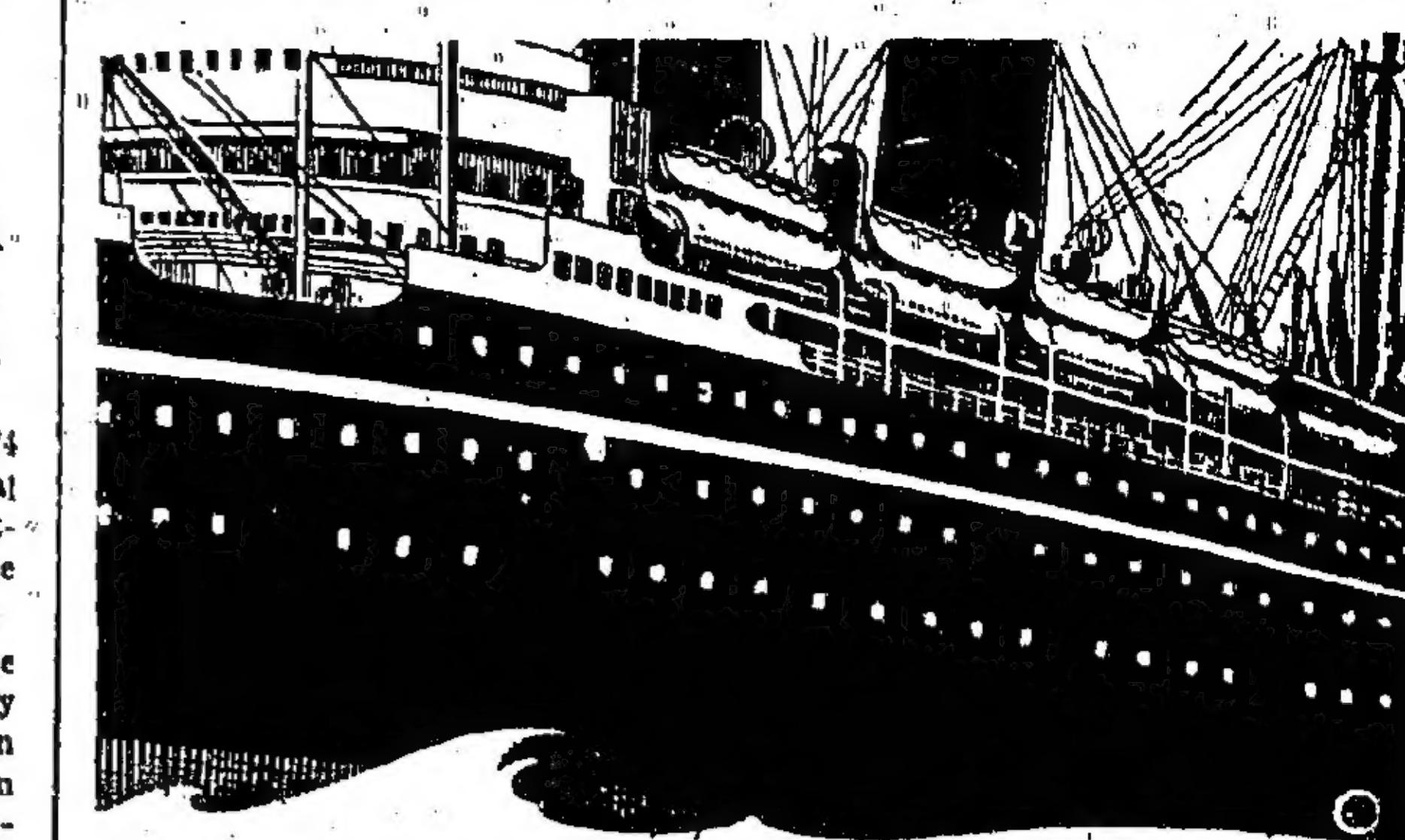
Minimum temperature, 62 F.

Rainfall, 0.38 ins.

MEDICAL ORD.

At tomorrow's meeting of the Legislative Council the Attorney-General will move the first reading of a Bill to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1935, and a Bill to amend the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens Ordinance, 1940.

The Attorney-General will also move the second and third readings of a Bill to amend the Places of Public Entertainment Regulation Ordinance, 1919, and a Bill to amend the Entertainments Tax Ordinance, 1930.



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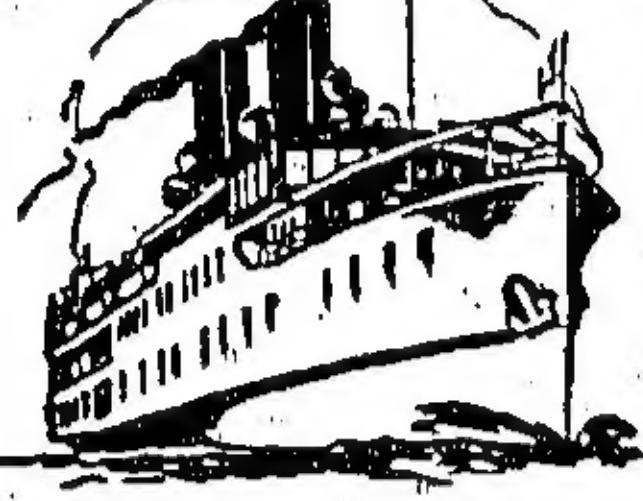
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IMMIGRATION ADVICE

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whose legal status as an Immigration agency is somewhat doubtful. Under Section 12, sub-section 2, the Immigration Officer himself is not permitted to issue entry permits, frontier passes, and Certificates of residence, to all persons specified in ss 2 (a) to (k), without the authority of the Governor in Council, or the Court. Yet, the power to issue "temporary passes" to all those "who are in a hurry to leave the Colony" has been granted to an Agency appointed, not by the Governor in Council, but by the Immigration Officer.

What guarantee is there that the "persons who are in a hurry to leave the Colony" are not members of a criminal gang wanted by the Police? At the best of times, to issue permits without making any inquiries as to the bona fides of the applicants' claims or the standing of the guarantors might result in defeating the objects of the Bill—namely, to keep out undesirable characters.

PAID DEPOSIT

Why should those who have paid their deposit, on demand, to the boarding officers of the Immigration Office be asked to seek the assistance of the General Agency in order to have their deposit returned more quickly? After all, the deposit receipt states that a passenger must apply to his or her permit within 10 days or otherwise run the risk of having the deposit forfeited.

So long as he or she complies with this condition, the deposit should be returned immediately the pass, or certificate, is issued.

It would be interesting to note the public re-action to any ruling by a bank that "deposits paid into this Bank would be more expeditiously returned if applied for through a recognised money-changer's establishment!"

And yet, it has been claimed that no special powers have been delegated to the General Agency!

Fanling Hunt & Race Club**PROGRAMME FOR MARCH MEETING**

THE FANLING HUNT AND RACE CLUB will hold its March Meeting at Kwanti on March 16, starting at 2.45 p.m. The following is the programme.

Race 1. "The Dublin Handicap": (Second Section)

A flat of 6 furlongs for China ponies classified at date of entry as "E" class. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5. NOTE: One entry only will be made for "The Dublin Handicap" (Races 1 and 6). Entries will be divided into two sections at the discretion of the handicapper.

Race 2. "The Fanling Grand National and Pierce Grove Memorial Cup"

A handicap steeplechase of 1½ miles for China ponies. Winner to hold for one year the Challenge Cup with replica presented and \$150 added; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$3.

Race 3. "The Kangaroo Cup"

A flat race of 6 furlongs for Australian Subscription ponies of 1941. Winners of \$300 or more barred. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5.

Race 4. "The Hunters' Cup"

A handicap flat race of 7 furlongs for China ponies classified at date of entry as "D" class. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5.

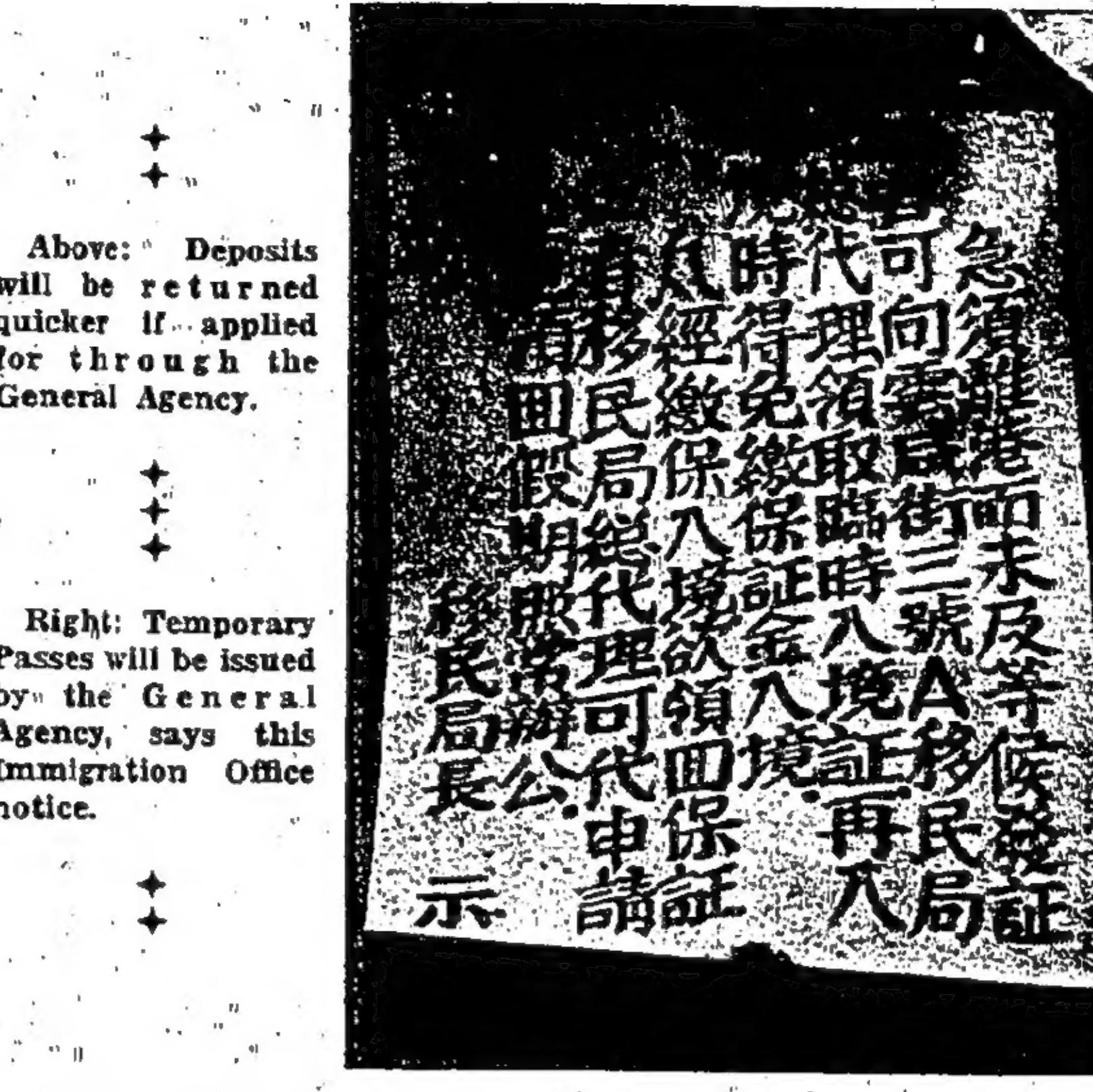
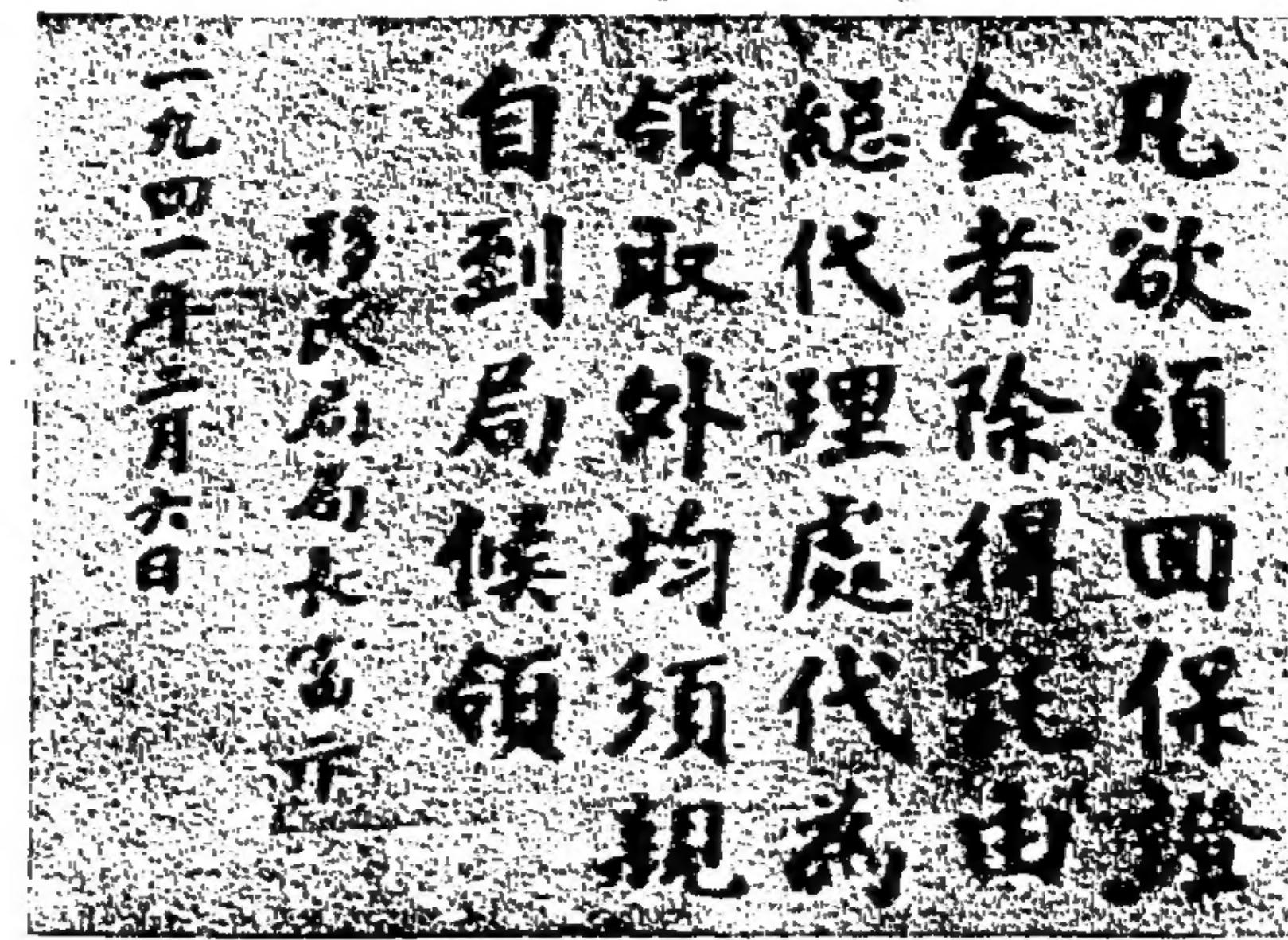
Race 5. "The Governor's Cup and Australian Grand National Steeplechase"

A handicap of 2 miles for Australian ponies. WINNER a Cup presented by H. E. The Governor, with \$150 added; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$3.

Race 6. "The Dublin Handicap": (First Section): (See Race 1).**Race 7. "The Shamrock Handicap"**

A flat race of 7 furlongs for Australian ponies classified at date of entry as "D" class. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5.

Races 1, 3, 4, 6 & 7 are open to Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Owners entering for these races and Jockeys who are not Members of the Fanling Hunt & Race Club, will have the privileges of the Club for the day.

**Democratic Way Of Life**

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those who do not believe in a Nazis and the Fascists. Thus, the Italian who has never accepted Fascism and who has resisted an assault on his belief of the democratic idea of life is our ally. Any German who thinks that Nazism is wrong and that the democratic life is right is an ally and not an enemy. We are not fighting against him, but for him.

"In fact, this war is really being fought by one side, which is the attacker on, and another side which is the defender of, the democratic way of life.

COMMUNIST ATTITUDE
Referring to what he described as the "mysterious shoulder-shrugging attitude" of the Communists towards these ideas of democracy, Mr. Priestley said that the Communists knew that this war was being fought on the democratic idea.

"We have seen, however," he went on, "that it is not difficult for a Communist to turn into a Nazi or a Fascist. What we do not find is a man of this kind turning into a liberal democrat. In this way, this war is going to be described as a desperate conflict between two psychological types."

Mr. Priestley referred to Herr Hitler's conception of national and individual existence and declared that there was a clear indication of this in his fantastic autobiography "Mein Kampf" in which it was apparent that he regarded men and women as so many sheep and donkeys who have to be brought into submission under a few ruthless leaders.

NOT PERFECT
Mr. Priestley went on to declare that it was a good thing to argue that the British people were themselves not good democrats. They were by no means perfect, but it was one thing to say that and quite another to abandon the idea of a democratic life.

"We may not have realised it perfectly," said Mr. Priestley, "but it is something that we are ready to fight for and

ENTRIES (with the exception of Race 3) close to the Secretaries, Messrs. Thomson & Company, Accountants, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Tuesday, March 4, 1941, at Noon. Entries for Race 3 close on Tuesday, March 11 at Noon.

Ponies entered for Races 1, 3, 4, 6 & 7 will be transported free by ferry and rail on Saturday, March 15, 1941, returned on Monday, March 17 1941 and kept at Kwanti without charge.

Jockeys must provide their own whips, which must be of a type approved by the Hongkong Jockey Club. The Club will provide spurs, which also meet with Hongkong Jockey Club requirements.

CHINA DEEPLY INTERESTED IN WILLKIE VISIT

Official circles in Chungking are deeply interested, upon the announcement, that Mr. Wendell Willkie may shortly visit China, states a message from Saigon.

The Chinese Government is stated to be always pleased to receive influential visitors from friendly countries.—(Special)

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